

SECTION VII

ONE-YEAR ACTION PLAN FOR CITY FY 2006

The City of Alexandria's One-Year Action Plan for City FY 2006 covers the period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006 and describes activities to be undertaken within that time frame to promote goals and objectives established in the City's Consolidated Plan for City FY 2006-2010.

Action Plan Report Format and Criteria

The One-Year Action Plan consists of several sections:

- ▶ Section A, "Housing Programs and Services to be Undertaken During City FY 2006" identifies the City's priorities for City FY 2006 with respect to housing-related activities for renters, homeowners, homebuyers, homeless persons and persons with special needs; describes the pertinent programs and services to be provided in the Alexandria community during the City FY 2006 Action Plan period; and provides an estimate of federal, state, local and private resources expected to be available and committed during that time.
- ▶ Section B, "Non-Housing Community Development Programs and Services," describes pertinent community and economic development programs and services to be undertaken by the City during the City FY 2006 Action Plan period.
- ▶ Section C, "Other Activities to be Undertaken," describes the City's actions to address issues of particular interest to HUD, including poverty, barriers to affordable housing, fair housing, the effects of lead-based paint and the coordination of services between public and private agencies providing housing and social services to low- and moderate-income persons.
- ▶ Section D contains the City's application for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program funds, and sets forth the City's proposed uses for \$1,411,586 in Federal FY 2005 CDBG funds and \$874,864 in new HOME Program funding, which will become available for use by the City during City FY 2006.

Action Plan Development Process

For information on the process implemented by the City in developing the Action Plan, including citizen participation and coordination with public and private entities, please refer to the Introduction to the Consolidated Plan above.

CDBG/HOME and Areas of Minority Concentration

Unless otherwise indicated in the Action Plan, the geographic area to be served by programs supported with CDBG and HOME funds during City FY 2006 will be the entire City of Alexandria, which includes areas of minority concentration. While CDBG and HOME-funded

programs are not specifically targeted on a geographic basis according to minority concentration, minorities have constituted the majority of the beneficiaries of activities supported with such monies. As reported in the most recent Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), minorities constituted 87.6% of the City's CDBG and HOME beneficiaries for the program year ending June 30, 2004. There is every reason to expect that minority persons or households will continue to constitute the majority of CDBG and HOME program beneficiaries during City FY 2006.

Income Limits for CDBG and HOME-Funded Activities

The income limits for the CDBG and HOME programs are the HUD-established low-income limits for the Section 8 Program, which for a family of four are set at the national median income of \$58,000. For CDBG and HOME purposes, these limits are designated by HUD as the "Moderate" income limits. The current income limits in each HUD category (i.e., extremely low income, low income and moderate income, etc.) are provided in Table A in the Introduction to the Consolidated Plan above.

Priority Levels

As part of the Consolidated Plan, HUD requires that priority levels be assigned to housing and homeless services activities and needs groups according to HUD-established definitions. The priority levels assigned by the City in its FY 2006-2010 Consolidated Plan to the different housing and homeless services activities and needs groups are identified in Appendix II. Activities to be undertaken during City FY 2006 reflect these priorities.

Matching Requirements for the HOME Program

As shown in Table K on page 152, the majority of the HOME matching funds (\$118,210) are being provided with City General Fund monies. An additional \$78,634 is shown as being provided from "other non-federal monies." These monies represent program income from activities funded with local, non-General Fund monies.

VII.A Housing Programs and Services to be Undertaken During City FY 2006

The following sections describe housing-related programs and services for renters, homebuyers, homeowners, homeless persons and persons with special to be provided in the Alexandria community during the City FY 2006 Action Plan period; and provide an estimate of federal, state, local and private resources expected to be available to support these activities during that time.

VII.A.1 Extremely Low-, Low- and Moderate-Income Renters

Activities to be undertaken during City FY 2006 for extremely low-, low- and moderate-income renters will address the following specific objectives established in the Consolidated Plan for City FY 2006-2010:

- Preserve and maintain the existing supply of 1,150 public housing and replacement public housing units for households at or below HUD's moderate-income limits;
- Subject to the availability of resources, preserve and maintain the existing supply of approximately 2,114 privately-owned rental units with project-based assistance available to households at or below HUD's moderate-income limits;
- Provide tenant-based rental housing subsidies to an estimated 1,700 households per year that are at or below HUD's moderate-income limits;
- Provide 500 rental housing units affordable to households at or below the limit used for the Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program of 60% of area median income through new development or preservation of existing affordable market rate rental housing; and
- Secure 15 affordable rental units in new development projects pursuant to the City's Affordable Housing Policy.

City FY 2006 Programs/Activities for Extremely Low-, Low- and Moderate-Income Renters:

Program/Activity: *Public Housing and Replacement Public Housing Units*

Provider(s): ARHA and Freeman and Mays (owner of one complex on ARHA-owned land)

Target Population: Extremely Low- to Moderate-Income Renters

Program/Activity Description: Publicly owned/operated affordable rental units available to income-eligible households - In accordance with Resolution 830, 1,150 such units are maintained in the City, of which 889 are Public Housing units, 111 are Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation units, 60 are Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) units and 90 are Section 8 New Construction units reserved for elderly income eligible renters

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY2006 (By Source): Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation - \$998,747 (January to December 2005); also LIHTC, Section 8 New Construction and HUD Capital Funds Program.

Service Objective: Units Available - 1,150 (100 units offline due to redevelopment; All replacement units will become available during the program year; Average turnover for Public Housing is 8% and Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation is 5%.)

Program/Activity: *Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program***Provider(s):** ARHA**Target Population:** Extremely-Low to Moderate-Income Renters**Program/Activity Description:** Tenant-based rental housing subsidies for income-eligible households renting private-market units**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** Section 8-\$15,600,000 (January-December 2005)**Service Objective:** Vouchers Supported - 1,722 (*Average Turnover is 7% per year*)**Program/Activity:** *Section 8 Security Deposit Loan Program***Provider(s):** ARHA**Target Population:** Extremely-Low to Moderate-Income Renters**Program/Activity Description:** Revolving loan fund established during City FY 2002 and partially funded with City Housing Trust Fund monies that provides loans for security deposits to Section 8 voucher program participants**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** Not Applicable - This is a Revolving Loan Fund that was capitalized in a prior program year**Service Objective:** Contingent on rate of repayments**Program/Activity:** *Privately-Owned Subsidized Rental Units***Provider(s):** Various Private Providers**Target Population:** Extremely Low- to Moderate-Income Renters**Program/Activity Description:** Privately-owned affordable rental units available to income-eligible households**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** These units originally received assistance from the following sources - LIHTC Program, Tax-Exempt Bond Program, Section 8 Program, Section 236 Program and/or the City's Housing Trust Fund. Ongoing subsidies from non-City sources other than Tax-Exempt Bonds will continue in City FY 2006, but subsidy amounts are not readily available to the City.**Service Objective:** Housing Units Available - 2,114**Program/Activity:** *Supportive Services for ARHA-Assisted Households***Provider(s):** ARHA**Target Population:** Extremely-Low to Moderate-Income Renters**Program/Activity Description:** Limited social services for ARHA residents**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** ARHA will seek private and local funding including the HUD Service Coordinators for Public Housing Grant and Butler Family Foundation monies**Service Objective:** Continue limited social services for ARHA residents

Program/Activity: Affordable Rental Housing Development Initiatives**Provider(s):** City Office of Housing and Private Entities**Target Population:** Extremely Low- and Moderate-Income Renters**Program/Activity Description:** Initiative to develop or preserve affordable rental units depending on availability of funds such as proposed \$3.7 million recordation tax setaside.**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** Total- \$3,287,765 [HOME-\$1,207,765, Housing Trust Fund - \$1,230,000, General Fund -\$300,000, Other Non Fed - \$550,000 LIHTC, VHDA, FHLB, Other subsidies-Unknown]**Service Objective:** 100 or more affordable rental units developed or preserved depending on availability of funds.**Program/Activity: Set-Aside Unit Program (Rental Units)****Provider(s):** Private developers pursuant to City policy administered by the City's Office of Housing**Target Population:** Low- and Moderate-Income Renters**Program/Activity Description:** In accordance with the City's Affordable Housing Policy, the City may negotiate with new housing developers to provide affordable rental units to income-eligible households. Twenty-eight rental units are currently pledged to this program at two new development projects- Northampton Place (13 units) and Mill Race (15 units). Neither project is yet constructed).**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** Amount of developer subsidies available to support this program is not known until a project proposal is submitted.**Service Objective:** Continue to negotiate with developers to secure rental units for the Set-Aside Unit Program

ARHA is unable to estimate the number of non-elderly, moderate-income households to be assisted through ARHA rental programs during City FY 2006.

For information on the development and or preservation of affordable rental housing, see Section VII. C.2. below. For information on assistance with accessibility modifications for income-eligible renters with disabilities see Section VII.A.6.

Leveraging of Federal Funds: ARHA leverages private funds for low-income housing by offering tax-exempt bond financing to private and non-profit developers and by serving as the general partner in projects utilizing federal Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). Local funding will be utilized in conjunction with the two allocations of LIHTC awarded to ARHA in 2003 in connection with the redevelopment of Samuel Madden Homes (Downtown).

Support for Applications by Other Entities: Applications for funding to acquire, rehabilitate or subsidize rental housing for households with incomes at or below HUD's middle-income limits will be supported by the City subject to City Council approval. Applications for funding to support residential services for renter households with incomes at or below HUD's middle-income limits will be supported by the City if they pertain to continuation of existing or similar

activities to address resident needs and/or to promote self-sufficiency. Applications for funding to expand housing or residential services for renter households with incomes at or below HUD's middle-income limits would be supported by the City.

VII.A.2 Lower-Income Homebuyers

Activities to be undertaken during City FY 2006 for lower-income homebuyers will address the following specific objectives established in the Consolidated Plan for City FY 2006-2010:

- Provide financial assistance to 250 households meeting income and other eligibility criteria to secure ownership housing; and
- Educate 2,300 prospective low- and moderate-income homebuyers on the home purchase process.

City FY 2006 Programs/Activities for Lower-Income Homebuyers:

Program/Activity: Homeownership Assistance Program (HAP)

Provider(s): City of Alexandria Office of Housing

Target Population: Extremely Low- and Low-Income Homebuyers

Program/Activity Description: Provides deferred-payment second trust loans of up to \$50,000 for downpayment and closing cost assistance to first-time homebuyer households with incomes up to HUD's Section 8 low-income limits (\$58,000 for a family of four as of February 11, 2005)

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source): TOTAL-\$1,355,242 [New CDBG-\$332,501; CDBG Carryover-\$307,731; Fees-\$4,500; New HOME grant-\$547,378; Match for new HOME grant from City General Fund-\$58,210; Match for new HOME grant from other non-federal sources-\$78,634; HOME Carryover-\$21,030; Carryover match-\$5,258]

Service Objective: Households Assisted - 25

Program/Activity: Moderate Income Homeownership Program (MIHP)

Provider(s): City of Alexandria Office of Housing

Target Population: Includes Moderate- and Middle-Income Homebuyers

Program/Activity Description: Provides deferred-payment second trust loans of up to \$20,000 for downpayment and closing cost assistance to first-time homebuyer households with incomes between the moderate income limits and a City-established maximum income limit (currently \$79,500 for a households of three or more persons). MIHP-eligible law enforcement officers are eligible for the HAP assistance limit of \$50,000.

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source): TOTAL- \$553,000 [New City Housing Trust Fund - \$550,500; Program fees- \$2,500]

Service Objective: Households Assisted - 25

Program/Activity: *Mortgage Financing with Below-Market Interest Rates***Provider(s):** Virginia Housing Development Authority (VHDA) in cooperation with the City of Alexandria Office of Housing**Target Population:** Low- to Middle-Income Homebuyers**Program/Activity Description:** First-trust mortgage financing for participants in the City's HAP and MIHP programs at interest rates below that of VHDA's first-time homebuyer program**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** VHDA Sponsoring Partnerships and Revitalizing Communities (SPARC) - \$4 million (represents the remaining balance of the City's calendar year 2005 SPARC allocation; the City will also apply for calendar year 2006 SPARC monies); VHDA Single Family Regional Loan Fund (SFRLF) - Not Specified**Service Objective:** Households Assisted - 25 (all of which will also be participants in HAP/MIHP)**Program/Activity:** *Seller's Incentive Fund***Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Office of Housing**Target Population:** Low- to Middle-Income Homebuyers**Program/Activity Description:** Offers sellers a cash incentive of \$1,000 to defray the costs of the real estate commission if they accept a purchase involving HAP or MIHP second trust financing**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** City Housing Trust Fund - \$50,000**Service Objective:** Households Assisted - 50 (all of which will also be participants in HAP/MIHP)**Program/Activity:** *Home Stride***Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Office of Housing**Target Population:** Low- to Middle-Income Homebuyers**Program/Activity Description:** Provides up to \$20,000 in loan funds with deferred payment and interest for the first three years of the loan to assist with downpayment and closing costs. These funds can be combined with other City homeownership assistance.**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** \$500,000 (represents the remaining balance of the City's calendar year 2005 allocation; the City will also apply for calendar year 2006 monies)**Service Objective:** Households Assisted- 25

Program/Activity: Employer-Assisted Housing (EAH)**Provider(s):** Local employers in cooperation with the City of Alexandria Office of Housing**Target Population:** Employees of Local Employers offering EAH Programs**Program/Activity Description:** Allows employees working within the City who are utilizing an EAH program established by their employer and who meet applicable eligibility criteria to access HAP and MIHP assistance. For employees who are ineligible for HAP/MIHP for reasons other than income, the City will provide 0% interest deferred repayment loans of up to \$5,000 for downpayment/closing costs that match on a 2:1 basis contributions of participating employers providing financial EAH benefits.**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** City Housing Trust Fund - \$113,000**Service Objective:** Continue to encourage employers to establish EAH programs**Program/Activity: Homeownership Counseling Services****Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Office of Housing**Target Population:** Low- to Middle-Income Homebuyers**Program/Activity Description:** Homeownership counseling and training for first-time homebuyers**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** City Housing Trust Fund - \$111,200**Service Objective:** Training Sessions Held - 18**Program/Activity: Homeownership Fair****Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Office of Housing**Target Population:** Low- to Middle-Income Homebuyers**Program/Activity Description:** Provides information on the homebuying process, affordable housing opportunities and affordable financing available in the City**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** TOTAL - \$12,473 [CDBG Administrative Monies -\$9,473; Fees - \$3,000]**Service Objective:** Hold an annual Homeownership Fair

Program/Activity: *Set-Aside Unit Program (Sales Units)***Provider(s):** Private developers pursuant to City policy administered by the City's Office of Housing**Target Population:** Low- and Moderate-Income Homebuyers**Program/Activity Description:** In accordance with the City's Affordable Housing Policy, the City may negotiate with new housing developers to provide affordable rental units to income-eligible households. Thirty-Seven homeownership units and forty rental units are currently pledged to this program at seven projects - Cameron Station, Mill Race, Northampton Place (under construction), the Tuscany, The Monarch, the Halstead, and the Postmasters site.**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** Amount of developer subsidies available to support this program is not known until a project proposal is submitted.**Service Objective:** Units Delivered - To be determined. twelve rental units at Northampton place may be delivered in City FY 2006.**Program/Activity:** *Employee Homeownership Incentive program (EHIP)***Provider(s):** City**Target Population:** Alexandria City Government and Public School Employees**Program/Activity Description:** Provides up to \$5,000 in loan funds with deferred payment interest to assist local government employees to purchase homes in the jurisdiction they are serving. These funds can be combined with other City homeownership assistance if eligible.**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2005 (By Source):** City Housing Trust Fund \$250,000**Service Objective:** 50 Households*Minority Homeownership - The City estimates that during the Action Plan period, 160 minority households will be assisted in becoming homeowners through City home purchase assistance programs.**The City will also encourage the development and preservation of affordable sales (and rental) housing units as discussed in Section VII.C.2 below.*

Leveraging of Federal Funds: HOME and CDBG funds expended during City FY 2006 to support down payment and closing cost assistance provided through the City's HAP program are expected to leverage first trust mortgage monies from VHDA and other private lenders, as well as 2nd trust monies from VHDA.

Support for Applications by Other Entities: The City generally intends to support applications by other entities for homeownership purposes.

VII.A.3 Current Low- and Moderate- Income Homeowners

Activities to be undertaken during City FY 2006 for existing lower-income homeowners will address the following specific objectives established in the Consolidated Plan for City FY 2006-2010:

- Provide no-interest rehabilitation loans to 50-75 homeowner households with incomes at or below HUD's moderate-income limits per year;
- Provide modest, free repairs or renovations to 200 owner-occupied housing units for households at or below HUD's moderate-income limits; and
- Reduce the property tax burden for an estimated 1,300 income-eligible households per year to promote housing affordability.

City FY 2006 Programs/Activities for Existing Lower-Income Homeowners:

Program/Activity: *Single Family Home Rehabilitation Program*

Provider(s): City of Alexandria Office of Housing

Target Population: Extremely Low- to Moderate-Income Homeowners

Program/Activity Description: Provides no-interest deferred payment loans to low- and moderate-income homeowners for home rehabilitation activities. May include the rehabilitation of one home in the Parker Gray Historic District. Includes energy efficiency improvements.

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source): TOTAL-\$1,373,349 [New CDBG-\$473,742; CDBG Program Income-\$21,200; CDBG Carryover-\$878,407;]

Service Objective: Loans Obligated - 14; Loans Completed - 15

Program/Activity: *Affordable Home Ownership Protection Program*

Provider(s): City of Alexandria Department of Finance

Target Population: Low- and Moderate-Income Homeowners

Program/Activity Description: Pilot tax relief program intended to help keep homeownership in Alexandria affordable by providing tax reduction grants from \$450-\$850 based on income for lower-income homeowners with annual household incomes below \$62,000 and homes assessed at less than \$442,000.

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source): City General Fund - \$1,000,000

Service Objective: 1,300

Supportive services and financial assistance to prevent income-eligible homeowners from losing their homes due to economic crisis will be provided through the Homeless Intervention Program (HIP; see Section VII.A.4.) and the Real Property Tax Relief Program (see Section VII.A.5.). City agencies will also encourage homeowners to apply for energy conservation grants from VMH, Inc. and rehabilitation assistance through Rebuilding Together Alexandria (RTA). For more details on the latter programs, see Section VII.A.5.

Leveraging of Federal Funds: None

Support for Applications by Other Entities: Applications for funding to support homeownership activities will be supported by the City if they promote Consolidated Plan goals and objectives for homebuyer and existing homeowner households.

VII.A.4 The Homeless and Persons Threatened with Homelessness

The Continuum of Care, which is developed and implemented by the Homeless Services Coordinating Committee (HSCC) and is submitted to HUD on an annual basis in order that agencies and organizations in Alexandria will be eligible for federal homeless services funding, describes strategies to assist homeless persons in the City. In preparation for the development of each year's Continuum of Care, HSCC conducts a one-day "point-in-time" count of the homeless in a variety of settings. Findings from the most recent point-in-time count are presented in Section III.B.1. above.

Activities to be undertaken during City FY 2006 for persons who are homeless or threatened with homelessness will address the following specific objectives established in the Consolidated Plan for City FY 2006-2010:

- Create permanent affordable housing for single adults and special populations through the completion of the safe haven project; affordable assisted living for elderly and disabled; and single room occupancy and housing options for low-income single adults;
- Maintain the existing level of homeless prevention programming;
- Maintain existing level of facility based transitional housing for families and singles-increase client based transitional housing for families and singles to former levels where providers have been forced to reduce caseloads due to flat or decreased revenue and higher housing costs;
- Improve targeting of mainstream resources to permanent housing solutions: Establish a Homeless preference for HUD subsidized programs (Public Housing and Vouchers); and
- Implement the City's Ten Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness through the addition of 1.5 FTE in public or private mental health and substance abuse services to the homeless population; increase access to health services for the chronic homeless population; and obtain health care for the homeless grant for the Community Health Care Center.

City FY 2006 Programs/Activities for the Homeless and Persons Threatened with Homelessness:

Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)

Program/Activity: Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)

Provider(s): City of Alexandria Departments of Human Services and Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse, and private homeless services providers

Target Population: Persons who are Homeless or Threatened with Homelessness

Program/Activity Description: Computerized data collection system designed to capture client-level information on the characteristics and service needs of persons experiencing homelessness. As of October 2004, when evaluating applications for Stewart B. McKinney Act funds for homeless services, HUD will take into consideration whether an HMIS is utilized within a jurisdiction.

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source): TOTAL - \$18,500 (City General Fund and User's Fees)

Service Objective: Implement an HMIS

Prevention and Intervention

Program/Activity: Homeless Intervention Program (HIP)

Provider(s): City of Alexandria Department of Human Services (DHS)

Target Population: Persons Threatened with Homelessness

Program/Activity Description: Provides financial assistance with rent/mortgage arrearage and with current or future rent/mortgage payments to families and single residents of the City facing immediate eviction or foreclosure due to circumstances beyond their control. Also assists with relocation costs incurred in the transition from a shelter to permanent or supportive housing.

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source): TOTAL - \$465,000 [State Homeless Resource Program - \$215,000; TANF- \$50,000 ; City General Fund - \$200,000]

Service Objective: Households - 195

Program/Activity: General Relief Program and Emergency Shelter Fund

Provider(s): City of Alexandria Department of Human Services (DHS)

Target Population: Persons Threatened with Homelessness

Program/Activity Description: Provides short-term rental assistance to relieve impending housing crises and thereby prevent homelessness

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source): TOTAL - \$351,000 [City General Fund - \$307,000; State - \$44,000]

Service Objective: Households Receiving Housing Assistance - 385

Program/Activity: Homeless Prevention for Former Adopt-A-Family Clients**Provider(s):** Arlington-Alexandria Coalition for the Homeless (AACH)**Target Population:** Persons Threatened with Homelessness**Program/Activity Description:** Provides homeless prevention services to former clients of AACH's Adopt-A-Family program, a transitional housing program**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)-\$1,900**Service Objective:** Households - 14

The City's Department of Human Services' Office of Community Services (OCS) also projects that \$30,000 in private donations will be solicited from local charities during City FY 2006 to provide case-by-case assistance with eviction prevention and other housing needs.

Outreach, Assessment, Case Management, Counseling and Other Support Services**Program/Activity: Eviction Assistance and Furniture Storage Program****Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Department of Human Services (DHS)**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless**Program/Activity Description:** Provides for the transportation and up to 60 days storage of possessions of households that are about to be evicted and that lack a suitable place to store such items**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** New CDBG - \$75,000**Service Objective:** Households Assisted - 80 (consisting of 150 persons)

Outreach, assessment, case management and counseling services will continue to be provided as part of the service delivery of the City's emergency shelters by the City's Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse (MH/MR/SA), DHS, the Alexandria Health Department and the Office of Housing, in conjunction with shelter staff. Emergency assistance and food programs supported by Catholic Charities will also continue.

Emergency Shelter**Program/Activity: ALIVE! House****Provider(s):** ALIVE! House**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless**Program/Activity Description:** Provides emergency shelter to homeless families and single women**Geographic Distribution:** Eligibility is Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** TOTAL - \$97,043 [City and State funds from DHS - \$48,000; Federal ESG - \$7,843; State SSG - \$11,200; Private Monies - \$30,000]**Service Objective:** Beds - 16

Program/Activity: Carpenter's Shelter**Provider(s):** Carpenter's Shelter**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless**Program/Activity Description:** Provides emergency shelter and supportive services the homeless**Geographic Distribution:** Eligibility is Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2005 (By Source):** TOTAL - \$1,494,380 [Federal ESG - \$61,380; State SSG - \$100,800; State Child Care for the Homeless Program - \$25,000; U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) - \$9,000; FEMA - \$1,200; Federal PATH - \$34,000; \$1,163,000 in foundation grants, monies from fund-raising activities, private donations and in-kind contributions; has applied for \$100,000 in City General Fund from the Community Partnership Fund]**Service Objective:** Beds - 80**Program/Activity: Alexandria Community Shelter (ACS)****Provider(s):** Salvation Army under contract with the City of Alexandria**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless**Program/Activity Description:** Provides temporary emergency shelter and comprehensive services to homeless families, single women and single men. Case management support is provided by DHS.**Geographic Distribution:** Eligibility is Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** TOTAL-\$643,265[City General Fund - \$553,000; Federal Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) Program - \$38,265; State Shelter Support Grant (SSG) Program- \$52,000]**Service Objective:** Beds - 65**Program/Activity: Alexandria Women's Shelter****Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Office on Women**Target Population:** Victims of Domestic Violence**Program/Activity Description:** Provides emergency shelter to victims of domestic violence**Geographic Distribution:** Eligibility is Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** TOTAL - \$456,935 [City General Fund - \$275,000; Federal ESG - \$8,235; State SSG - \$11,200; Virginia Department of Social Services - \$153,000; Private Monies - \$9,500]**Service Objective:** Women and Children Served - 70

Program/Activity: Winter Shelter Program**Provider(s):** Carpenter's Shelter, Church of St. Clements, Blessed Sacrament, Christ House, Alexandria Community Shelter and Alfred Street Baptist Church**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless**Program/Activity Description:** Provides shelter and services to homeless persons unwilling or unable to adjust to a structured case management program during a time of year when living outdoors presents serious health hazards through exposure**Geographic Distribution:** Eligibility is Citywide (for specific locations, see Listing of Proposed City FY 2006 CDBG/HOME-Funded Projects in Appendix I)**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** TOTAL - \$88,623 [New CDBG - \$20,000; City General Fund-\$25,000; Private Monies - \$6,000; and \$37,623 in monies included in budget figures for Carpenter's Shelter under "Emergency Shelter" above]**Service Objective:** Persons Served - 342

The City will also continue to support the housing and supportive services needs of homeless persons from special needs populations through the competitive Community Partnership Fund for Human Services and the Youth Fund. Since City FY 1999, these funds have been awarded annually to support non-profit organizations meeting the shelter, counseling and service needs of homeless families, youth, and persons with HIV/AIDS in a half-way house setting.

Transitional Housing**Program/Activity: Alexandria Transitional Housing Program****Provider(s):** Northern Virginia Family Service (NVFS) under contract with the City of Alexandria**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless**Program/Activity Description:** Provides transitional housing, case management and other supportive services to help homeless persons (many of whom are leaving emergency shelters) transition from homelessness to self-sufficiency**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** City Housing Trust Fund Carryover - \$250,000**Service Objective:** Households Served - 14**Program/Activity: Community Lodgings, Inc.****Provider(s):** Community Lodgings, Inc.**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless**Program/Activity Description:** Provides transitional housing, case management and other supportive services to help homeless persons (many of whom are leaving emergency shelters) transition from homelessness to self-sufficiency**Geographic Distribution:** Eligibility is Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** TOTAL - \$209,164 [Federal ESG - \$18,114; State SSG - \$56,055; United Way \$17,345; Private Monies - \$117,620]**Service Objective:** Households Served - 15

Program/Activity: Adopt-A-Family Program (Alexandria)**Provider(s):** Arlington-Alexandria Coalition for the Homeless (AACH)**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless**Program/Activity Description:** Provides transitional housing, case management and other supportive services to help homeless persons (many of whom are leaving emergency shelters) transition from homelessness to self-sufficiency**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** TOTAL - \$218,340 [Federal Supportive Housing Program (SHP) - \$139,440; Federal ESG - \$22,400; Private Monies from the United Way - \$12,500; has applied for \$44,000 in City General Fund from the Community Partnership Fund]**Service Objective:** Households Served - 16**Program/Activity: Turning Point - Salvation Army Transitional Housing Program****Provider(s):** Salvation Army**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless**Program/Activity Description:** Provides transitional housing, case management and other supportive services to help homeless persons (many of whom are leaving emergency shelters) transition from homelessness to self-sufficiency**Geographic Distribution:** Eligibility is Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2005 (By Source):** TOTAL - Not Specified [Federal ESG - \$7,246; State SSG - \$14,400; Private Monies - Undetermined]**Service Objective:** Households Served - 7**Program/Activity: Carpenter's Shelter Transitional Housing Program****Provider(s):** Carpenter's Shelter**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless**Program/Activity Description:** Provides transitional housing, case management and other supportive services to help homeless persons leaving emergency shelter at Carpenter's Shelter transition from homelessness to self-sufficiency**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide clients residing at Carpenter's Shelter**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** Included in budget figures provided for Carpenter's Shelter under Emergency Shelter above**Service Objective:** Households Served - 1**Program/Activity: Transitional Assistance Program (TAP)****Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Department of Human Services (DHS)**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless**Program/Activity Description:** Provides homeless persons residing in shelters or overcrowded situations with budget/housing counseling and financial assistance to move into affordable housing**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** New CDBG - \$102,000**Service Objective:** Households Served - 100 (consisting of 225 persons)

Permanent Supportive Housing

For information on Permanent supportive housing programs available to homeless persons with special needs, please refer to the discussion of supportive housing facilities and services targeted to individuals with mental/developmental disabilities and substance dependence problems that follows in Section I.H.

Permanent Housing**Program/Activity: Safe Haven**

Provider(s): Alexandria Community Service Board (ACSB)

Target Population: Homeless persons in the City who are mentally ill and/or who are mentally ill and have substance abuse problems who are chronically homeless

Program/Activity Description: Provide housing for men and women who are chronically homeless

Geographic Distribution: Eligibility is Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source): \$795,000 in carryover general fund monies for rehabilitation of the Patrick Street Clubhouse facility. Operating funds from a HUD grant for a three year period in the amount of \$163,824 beginning in 2005 and \$111,981 in general funds for operation.

Service Objective: Renovation of Building

Chronic Homelessness

The City has developed a Ten-Year Plan to end Chronic Homelessness (see Appendix VI). Activities to end chronic homelessness will be undertaken during the Action Plan period as described in that document.

Leveraging of Federal Funds: Federal Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) funds will be used in conjunction with an estimated \$553,000 in City General Fund revenues and State Shelter Support Grant monies to support the operating costs of the Alexandria Community Shelter. In City FY 2006, private emergency shelters in Alexandria and the Women's Shelter will receive approximately \$378,000 from the federal ESG and State SSG (expected to consist predominantly of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) monies) programs as well as \$20,000 in CDBG monies, which will leverage over \$1 million in state, local and private funds. Transitional housing providers will use an estimated \$96,000 in federal ESG and State SSG (expected to consist predominantly of TANF monies) funds to leverage over \$340,000 in local and private funding. DHS also solicits funds from private sources to assist in its various homeless services and prevention programs.

The federal Emergency Shelter Grant requires a 100% match. The City's FY 2006 grant will be matched with General Fund revenues. Private shelters will match their funds with foundation and private monies.

Support for Applications by Other Entities: The City would support funding applications to maintain existing levels of service for homeless persons and those threatened with homelessness, as well as new initiatives specifically identified in the Consolidated Plan, Action Plans, Community Services Board Housing Plan and/or Ten-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness,

subject to City Council approval of specific locations for any new facilities. Applications to increase service levels or to add new services not addressed in the Consolidated Plan, Action Plans and/or Ten-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness would require City Council approval.

VII.A.5 The Elderly and Frail Elderly

Activities to be undertaken during City FY 2006 for lower-income elderly and frail elderly persons will address the following specific objectives established in the Consolidated Plan:

- Develop or support the development of an assisted living facility which can accommodate elderly persons with incomes at or below HUD's moderate-income limits who are unable to live independently in the community;
- Improve living conditions for 45 elderly homeowners with incomes at or below HUD's moderate-income limits occupying ownership units with physical defects and/or that are in need of accessibility modifications; and
- Relieve the housing cost burden for over 900 income-eligible elderly renters and/or homeowners per year.

City FY 2006 Programs/Activities for the Elderly and Frail Elderly:

Program/Activity: *Publicly-Assisted Rental Housing for Income-Eligible Elderly Persons*

Provider(s): ARHA and private rental property owners

Target Population: Low- and Moderate-Income Elderly Renters

Program/Activity Description: 170 public housing units at Ladrey Highrise, 38 public housing units at Park Place, 90 Section 8 (public housing replacement) units at Annie B. Rose House and 300 Section 8 units at Claridge House (all of which were included in assisted rental housing figures provided in Section I.A) will continue to be reserved for income-eligible elderly renters.

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source): See information provided in Section VII.A

Service Objective: Affordable Rental Units Reserved for Income-Eligible Elderly Persons - 598

Program/Activity: *Real Property Tax Relief Program*

Provider(s): City of Alexandria Department of Finance

Target Population: Income-Eligible Elderly and/or Disabled Homeowners

Program/Activity Description: Provides forgiveness of real property taxes for income-eligible persons who are over age 65 or permanently disabled. As of January 2005, the qualifying annual income for full abatement of real estate taxes was \$40,000 and for partial abatement it was \$62,000.

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source): City Revenue Foregone - \$2.5 million

Service Objective: Households Served - 867

Program/Activity: Rent Relief Program**Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Department of Human Services (DHS)**Target Population:** Income-Eligible Elderly and/or Disabled Renters**Program/Activity Description:** Provides financial assistance to income-eligible renters (currently household income cannot exceed \$25,600) who receive no other rental assistance and who are age 65 or older or who have a complete and total disability. Benefit levels vary based on income.**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** City General Fund - \$190,000**Service Objective:** Households Served - 75**Program/Activity: Rebuilding Together Alexandria (formerly Alexandria Christmas in April) - National Rebuilding Day Activities****Provider(s):** Rebuilding Together Alexandria (RTA)**Target Population:** Low-Income Elderly, Low-Income Disabled or Low-Income Homeowners**Program/Activity Description:** Provides home improvement and repair services to low-income elderly and/or disabled or low-income City homeowners primarily using volunteer labor**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** Total of \$165,035 in Private In-Kind/Cash Donations.**Service Objective:** Households Served - 30

Many elderly City residents will also take advantage of the City's Single Family Rehabilitation Loan Program (see Section VII.A.3.) to make accessibility modifications to their homes, which improve their ability to age in place. Since FY 1998, 56% of the income-eligible households assisted through this program have been elderly. Housing-related assistance is also available to elderly City residents through VMH, Inc., which uses funds received through the state's Weatherization Program to provide grants for energy efficiency improvements in the homes of low-income households with priority given to the elderly and persons with disabilities.

At the April 2000 public hearing on the City's current Consolidated Plan, City Council requested that staff look into the possibility of the City developing, or supporting the development of, an assisted living facility for low- and moderate-income seniors. An assisted living setting not only provides permanent housing, but also offers supportive services to elderly individuals who can no longer care for their homes or who need assistance with activities of daily living such as bathing, dressing, cooking, cleaning and grocery-shopping. Currently, the cost of assisted living in the City can exceed \$4,000 per month, an amount which is well beyond the incomes of seniors in this category, and few assisted living beds exist in the Northern Virginia region that are affordable to this population.

During late City FY 2000, representatives of a number of elder-serving entities within the City, including ARHA, OAAS, the Department of Health and of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse, the Office of Housing and the Commission on Aging began

meeting in an ad hoc group to discuss the issue. This ad hoc group grew into the Affordable Assisted Living Study Group, which expanded its membership to include residents of the senior highrises. The group evaluated assisted living programs in other areas to determine what might work in Alexandria, and completed a City-wide survey of current very low and low-income clients to determine the potential need for assisted living in the City. In the spring of 2003, the Assisted Living Study Group released a report that recommended enhancing in-home services for the elderly in the City and recommended that a new work group be formed to propose enhancements to assisted living for low income City residents.

The Assisted Living Work Group began meeting in the fall of 2003. The group consists of representatives from ARHA, the City's Office of Housing, OAAS, DHS Administration, members of the Commission on Aging and a representative from the continuing care retirement field. The Work Group is now focusing on securing a non-profit partner to assist with a market analysis and feasibility study for assisted living in Alexandria. A non-profit partner could also assist the City with the management and operation of a proposed assisted living facility. Future tasks include: identifying a site and securing the non-profit partner. The group must report back to City Council with recommendations for establishing affordable assisted living.

Leveraging of Federal Funds: The leveraging of any federal funds that may be used to support programs mentioned above is discussed as applicable in Sections 2 VII.A and VII.C. No federal funds are leveraged by programs/activities above that are not included in those sections

Support for Applications by Other Entities: The City government would support applications by other entities for funding to continue housing programs for the elderly at existing levels of service, as well as to implement new initiatives specifically identified in the Consolidated Plan and/or Action Plans, subject to City Council approval of specific locations for any new facilities. Applications to increase service levels or to add new services not addressed in the Consolidated Plan or Action Plans would require City Council approval.

VII.A.6 Persons with Physical Disabilities

Activities to be undertaken during City FY 2006 for lower-income persons with physical and sensory disabilities will address the following specific objectives established in the Consolidated Plan for City FY 2006-2010:

- Improve living conditions for five non-elderly disabled homeowners with incomes at or below HUD's moderate-income limits occupying ownership units with physical defects and/or that are in need of accessibility modifications; and
- Support accessibility modifications in 15 existing privately-owned rental housing units occupied by disabled renters with incomes at or below HUD's moderate-income limits;
- Relieve the housing cost burden for 70 income-eligible non-elderly disabled renters and/or homeowners per year.

City FY 2006 Programs/Activities for Persons with Physical Disabilities:

Program/Activity: Rental Accessibility Modification Program (RAMP)

Provider(s): City of Alexandria Office of Housing

Target Population: Extremely Low- to Moderate-Income Disabled Renters

Program/Activity Description: Supports accessibility modifications in income-eligible renter households with grants of up to \$50,000 in CDBG funds for substantive modifications and mini-grants of up to \$1,500 from the City's Housing Trust Fund for more minor modifications

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source): TOTAL - \$167,000 [New CDBG - \$99,672; CDBG Carryover - \$61,328; City Housing Trust Fund Carryover- \$6,000]

Service Objective: Households Served - 6

During City FY 2006, the Alexandria Commission on Persons with Disabilities will continue its work with developers and the City's Code Enforcement Bureau to ensure that new units meet the federal Fair Housing requirements, and to encourage landlords to make existing housing units accessible to persons with disabilities. The Office of Housing's Fair Housing Testing Program, which includes testing for housing discrimination against persons with disabilities (and other types of discrimination), will also continue. More information on the Fair Housing Testing Program is provided in Section III.D.

Low- and moderate-income homeowner households with a disabled member may qualify to utilize the City's Home Rehabilitation Loan Program to support modifications necessary to accommodate a physical disability or a mobility impairment. It is estimated that at least one household served through this program during City FY 2005 will include a person with a disability. For more information, see Section VII.A.3.

For low- and moderate-income renters with disabilities, 28 additional units are expected to become available upon completion of the redevelopment of Samuel Madden Homes (Downtown) by the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority (ARHA; see Section VIIC.2. under "Resolution 830" for more details).

The City's Real Property Tax Relief and Rent Relief Programs, discussed in previously, are also available to income-eligible persons with disabilities. The City estimates that 50 non-elderly disabled persons will benefit from the Real Property Tax Relief Program and nine non-elderly disabled persons from the Rent Relief Program. Rebuilding Together Alexandria (RTA) and VMH, Inc. will also serve low-income disabled homeowners through their rehabilitation and energy improvement initiatives, which are also discussed in Section VII.A.5. The number of non-elderly disabled persons to be served by RTA and VMH, Inc. is unknown at this time.

An additional resource for persons with disabilities living in the City is offered by the Joblink Division of the City's Department of Human Services Path to Employment Initiative. This employment service maintains a full-time Employment Training Specialist for persons with disabilities and the Employment Resource Room is fully accessible, providing a wide variety of adaptive equipment and assistive technology, as well as an Assistive Technology Specialist to assist individuals in utilizing the specialized equipment. The Department of Human Services also employs a full-time Disability Resources Coordinator who is responsible for facilitating access to all City services by persons with disabilities and serves as an advocate for City residents with disabilities.

Leveraging of Federal Funds: No funds are expected to be leveraged in connection with CDBG funds used to support RAMP. The leveraging of federal funds that may be used in connection with other programs mentioned above is discussed in the other sections referenced.

Support for Applications by Other Entities: The City would support applications by other entities for funding to provide housing for the physically disabled, but, to the extent that such

housing is rental housing for low-income persons, support would be provided only on a case-by-case basis subject to Council approval of specific locations. Organizations and agencies are encouraged to come forward with their plans for City Council review and approval as far as possible in advance of application due dates.

VII.A.7 Persons with Mental Health, Mental Retardation and/or Substance Abuse Problems

Activities to be undertaken during City FY 2006 for persons with mental health, mental retardation and/or substance abuse problems will address the following specific objectives established in the Consolidated Plan for City FY 2006-2010:

- Continue to provide a continuum of residential treatment services to individuals with mental health, mental retardation and substance abuse problems;
- Develop four new group homes with an estimated total capacity of 24 beds to provide permanent residential treatment services for individuals with mental health, mental retardation and substance abuse problems;
- Develop 15 supervised apartments with an estimated total capacity of 45 beds to provide permanent residential treatment services for individuals with mental health, mental retardation and substance abuse problems; and
- Provide 10 tenant-based rental vouchers through the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program to enable more individuals with mental health, mental retardation and substance abuse problems to secure affordable permanent supportive housing within the City.

The City's primary strategy for assisting persons with mental illness, mental retardation, and substance dependence is to provide supportive housing opportunities, case management, and supportive services through the Alexandria Community Services Board (ACSB) and the City's Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation, and Substance Abuse (MH/MR/SA). ACSB is responsible for providing and advocating for supportive services for City residents with mental/developmental disabilities and/or substance dependence problems. Services are managed by ACSB and Sheltered Homes of Alexandria, Inc. (SHA), a private non-profit organization that owns and maintains many of the residential facilities that serve ACSB clients. The affordable housing needs of these individuals are met through a combination of efforts by the community, ARHA, the Office of Housing, Alexandria Community Shelter, Carpenter's Shelter, Arlington-Alexandria Coalition for the Homeless, and other agencies, in partnership with ACSB.

City FY 2006 Programs/Activities for Persons with Mental Health, Mental Retardation and/or Substance Abuse Problems:

Program/Activity: Residential Services Programs

Provider(s): ACSB and SHA

Target Population: Extremely Low- to Moderate-Income Renters with Mental Illness, Mental Retardation and/or Chemical Dependency

Program/Activity Description: Provides transitional and affordable permanent supportive housing to clients with mental illness, mental retardation and/or chemical dependency through group homes and supervised apartments, most of which are owned by SHA

Geographic Distribution: Citywide - See Figure 2 in Appendix III

Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source): Federal Supportive Housing Program (SHP); also City General Fund, grants from the Virginia Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services, client fees and other revenue

Service Objective: Persons Assisted - 239

In order to respond to the changing needs of a growing number of clients with both mental illness and substance dependence, MH/MR/SA provides integrated services across disability lines that include mental illness, mental retardation and drug/alcohol addiction from the perspective of clients' length and intensity of treatment. Short-term emergency services and outpatient mental health and drug/alcohol treatment are provided by an "acute care" division, while longer-term day treatment, vocational services, case management and residential services are provided by an "extended care" division. A third division, "prevention and early intervention," reaches across disability areas and populations. This service delivery system enables MH/MR/SA to allocate its staff and resources in a manner that better meets the needs of a changing client population.

Leveraging of Federal Funds: Federal funds used to assist persons with mental health, mental retardation and/or chemical dependency leverage state, local and private funds.

Operating funds consisting of federal SHP Transitional Housing monies will be matched ACSB funds. Operating funds of federal SHP Permanent Housing monies will be matched with ACSB funds.

Support for Applications by Other Entities: The City government would support applications by other entities for funding to continue housing programs for persons with mental health, mental retardation and/or substance abuse problems at existing levels of service, as well as to implement new initiatives specifically identified in the Consolidated Plan, Action Plans and/or the Alexandria Community Service Board (CSB) Five-Year Housing Plan, subject to City Council approval of specific locations for any new facilities. Applications to increase service levels or to add new services not addressed in the Consolidated Plan, Action Plans or CSB Five-Year Housing Plan would require City Council approval. Organizations and agencies are encouraged to come forward with their plans for City Council review and approval as far as possible in advance of application due dates.

VII.A.8 Persons Living With or Affected By HIV/AIDS

Activities to be undertaken during City FY 2006 for persons living with or affected by HIV/AIDS will address the following specific objectives established in the Consolidated Plan for City FY 2006-2010:

- Maintain 10 tenant-based rental housing vouchers to provide rent subsidies to income eligible persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families.

The City will continue to address the housing and supportive services needs of persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families through the City's Health Department, the City's Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse (MH/MR/SA), the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority (ARHA), the INOVA Juniper Program and other public and non-profit organizations.

The federal Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program represents a major source of funding for this purpose. HOPWA funds are awarded to the entire Washington, D.C. metropolitan area as a whole through the District of Columbia's Administration for HIV/AIDS, which has been designated by the federal administering agency, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), as the entity that must apply for and receive HOPWA grant funds for the region. In Northern Virginia, these funds are managed and distributed by the Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC) and are made available to persons living with HIV/AIDS in four categories of assistance: short-term housing assistance; group home operation support and technical assistance, for which related services are provided on a regional basis; and long-term rental assistance, for which funding is allocated to individual jurisdictions. The City of Alexandria's allocation is administered for the City by ARHA.

City FY 2006 Programs/Activities for Persons Living With or Affected by HIV/AIDS:

Program/Activity: Long-Term Tenant-Based Rental Assistance for Persons With HIV/AIDS

Provider(s): ARHA for the City of Alexandria

Target Population: Persons with HIV/AIDS

Program/Activity Description: Provides long-term tenant-based rental assistance for persons living with HIV/AIDS under the HOPWA voucher program

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source): HOPWA - \$108,000 (estimate)

Service Objective: HOPWA Vouchers Available - 10

Program/Activity: Agape House**Provider(s):** Wesley Housing Development Corporation**Target Population:** Homeless Persons with HIV/AIDS**Program/Activity Description:** Housing for homeless persons with HIV/AIDS**Geographic Distribution:** Fairfax County, VA - Facility is open to Alexandria residents citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** Not Specified**Service Objective:** Overall Apartments Available - 12**Program/Activity: Supportive Services for Persons Living With or Affected by HIV/AIDS****Provider(s):** Alexandria Health Department; City's Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse (MH/MR/SA); WWC/NOVA; INOVA Juniper Program; K.I. Services, Northern Virginia AIDS Ministry (NOVAM) and Positive Livin'**Target Population:** Homeless Persons Living With or Affected by HIV/AIDS**Program/Activity Description:** Includes primary medical care, drug assistance, public health nurse case management, dental and nutrition services for low-income persons with HIV/AIDS provided by the Alexandria Health Department, as well as non-housing-related services (including medical, dental, mental health, prescription drug assistance, case management and/or legal services) available to persons living with HIV/AIDS throughout Northern Virginia with the support of Ryan White CARE Act funds provided by the INOVA Juniper Program, Positive Livin' and WWC/NOVA. MH/MR/SA will provide HIV testing, as well as testing-related counseling and education.**Geographic Distribution:** Available to Alexandria residents Citywide**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** Alexandria Health Department - \$500,000 in Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Response Emergency (CARE) Act and other funds; MH/MR/SA - Federal Substance Abuse Block Grant; INOVA Juniper Program and Positive Livin' and WWC/NOVA - Ryan White CARE Act; WWC/NOVA has also applied for City General Fund monies allocated through the City's Community Partnership Fund for Human Services to provide case management and legal services to persons living with HIV/AIDS in the City of Alexandria.**Service Objective:** Persons Assisted with Primary Medical Care and Other Services by Alexandria Health Department - 196; Alexandria Residents Assisted with Case Management and Legal Services by WWC/NOVA - 125

City residents with HIV/AIDS who do not have housing are referred to Carpenter's Shelter and the Alexandria Community Shelter. These emergency shelters cannot always accommodate referrals of persons leaving incarceration and/or substance abuse programs. City residents living with HIV/AIDS may be eligible for general mental health and substance abuse services offered by MH/MR/SA, including outreach, psychiatric evaluation and medication monitoring, case management, residential treatment, social detoxification, day support, neuropsychological testing and individual and group counseling.

Leveraging of Federal Funds: Federal HOPWA and Ryan White CARE Act monies to be used by service providers will leverage local and private monies. Ryan White CARE Act monies used by the Alexandria Health Department will leverage local monies.

Support for Applications by Other Entities: The City would support applications by other entities for funding to continue housing programs for the persons with HIV/AIDS at existing levels of service, as well as to implement any new initiatives specifically identified in the Consolidated Plan and/or Action Plans, subject to City Council approval of specific locations for any new facilities. Applications to increase service levels or to add new services not addressed in the Consolidated Plan and/or Action Plans would require City Council approval. Organizations and agencies are encouraged to come forward with their plans for City Council review and approval as far as possible in advance of application due dates.

VII.B Non-Housing Community Development Programs and Services

The following sections provide information on City community development programs and services proposed for City FY 2006 (including economic development activities, and actions to reduce poverty), which will serve low- and moderate-income persons or other target groups addressed in this document (e.g., special needs populations) or persons in low-income areas.

VII.B.1 Economic Development

Program/Activity: *Revitalization of Mount Vernon Avenue and Northern Route 1 Commercial Corridors*

Responsible Entity(ies): Alexandria Economic Development Partnership (AEDP) and City of Alexandria Department of Planning and Zoning

Consolidated Plan Target Group or Area: Mt. Vernon Ave. and Northern Route 1 (within Potomac West Neighborhood Strategy Area)

Program/Activity Description: Encourages revitalization to provide employment and commercial opportunities. This area is part of the City's State Enterprise Zone, where businesses can benefit from employment training/placement services, technical assistance, small business financing opportunities, state tax credits and grants. The City and AEDP will also continue to work with residents and businesses in Potomac West to develop a strategy for improving business activity and the business climate along the Mount Vernon Avenue corridor. While a long-range plan for the redevelopment of several sites in this area has been adopted, private investment in the area is not immediately expected due to market conditions and other factors. In the interim, the City's Department of Planning and Zoning is developing a strategy to help stabilize existing businesses and to strengthen the business environment in a manner that will be in concert with the community's long-term vision and will help in the marketability of the area. Assist city businesses through a Facade Improvement Program.

Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source): City General Fund - \$735,475 (for AEDP to continue efforts to attract, expand and retain business opportunities in the City, including the Enterprise Zone). Funding for the Facade Improvement Program is uncertain, with \$100,000 desired from multiple sources.

Service Objective: In the Enterprise Zone, increase employment, stabilize the commercial tax base, increase property values an average of five percent annually and increase the number of retail or local service establishments by two locations per year along Mt. Vernon Avenue

The City also provides training and services to enable low-income Alexandrians obtain jobs. (see "Employment and Training" in Section VII.B.2.)

VII. B. 2 Employment and Training**Program/Activity: Employment Services****Responsible Entity(ies):** City of Alexandria DHS**Consolidated Plan Target Group or Area:** Consumers will include Low- and Moderate-Income Households**Program/Activity Description:** Includes *JobLink*, the City's One Stop Center for Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (WIA) service delivery, which among other programs offers the Community Digital Divide Initiative (CDDI) to help under-served communities gain low-or no-cost access to computers and to *JobLink* networks through the Internet; the Virginia Initiative for Employment not Welfare (VIEW), which provides employment counseling/placement services, day care, needs assessments, support payments and other resources to remove barriers to employment for TANF recipients; the TeensWork! Youth Employment Program, which will endeavor to place 80 youths in public and private non-profit work sites during the summer and 150 youth in unsubsidized employment and job readiness activities; a federally-funded WIA effort focusing on employment readiness for 50 hard-to-serve youth receiving year-round services; and the EAGLES, which prepares ex-offenders for finding, maintaining and advancing in employment.**Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source):** Total - \$3,809,384 in federal, state, and local General fund.**Service Objective:** Persons - 5,200

VII.B.3 Other Community Development Activities

Program/Activity: Code Enforcement and Blight Abatement

Responsible Entity(ies): City of Alexandria Code Enforcement Bureau

Consolidated Plan Target Group or Low-Income Area: Citywide, including the Potomac East NSA, Potomac West NSA and Strawberry Hill - See Figure 3 in Appendix III

Program/Activity Description: Includes continued monitoring of properties throughout the City for compliance with building, fire and maintenance codes; and continued implementation of the Spot Blight Abatement program through which the City works with property owners to correct conditions that have caused their properties to be deemed detrimental to the health, safety and welfare of the community or, if necessary, intervenes to abate the violations with associated costs placed as a lien against the property or recouped from the sale of the property. While City Council voted in November 2003 to discontinue the Blighting Influences Program pending removal of a final six properties from this program's monitoring list, it is expected that vacant houses that might become blighted properties in the Potomac West NSA, the Potomac East Conservation District and the Southwest Quadrant Rehabilitation District (within Potomac East NSA), which were formerly monitored under this program, will continue to be addressed by the Spot Blight Abatement program.

Projected Funding for City FY 2006 (By Source): The City's estimated cost to provide these services in the City target areas identified above is between \$40,800 and \$45,900 per year.

Service Objective: Monitor and abate code issues and blighting influences

Low- and moderate-income owner-occupants of residential units may qualify for assistance under the City's Single Family Rehabilitation Loan Program to implement historic preservation and/or energy efficiency improvements (for more information, see Section VII.A.3.).

VII.C Other Activities to be Undertaken

This section describes actions to be taken, as required by the Consolidated Plan regulations, to address issues of particular concern to HUD. These include barriers to affordable housing, the effects of lead-based paint, coordination between public and private agencies providing housing and human services, efforts to reduce poverty, and others.

VII.C.1 Actions to Address Obstacles to Meeting Underserved Needs

The analysis contained in the Consolidated Plan points to the greatest need being additional funds. As noted elsewhere in this document, the City will continue to identify other possible sources of funding, including dedicating one cent on the real property tax rate, allocating additional revenues from the real estate recordation tax, and revising the policy on developer contributions in a way that could increase contributions to the Housing Trust Fund.

VII.C.2 Actions to Foster and Maintain Affordable Housing

For rental housing, the City's primary goal is to preserve the existing supply of public housing and replacement units covered by Resolution 830. The City has also become increasingly concerned with preserving the affordability of currently-affordable private market rental housing, and took steps in FY 2004 to establish the Alexandria Housing Development Corporation to preserve and develop affordable housing - primarily rental - in the City (for more detail, see the Alexandria Housing Development Corporation section below). In terms of homeownership, the primary goal is to assist households with incomes between 50% of the median income for the area (currently \$44,650 for a household of four) and the City-established maximum income limit (currently \$79,500 for three or more persons).

Resolution 830

The City has long held the preservation of its existing assisted rental housing stock as one of its highest priorities. Under Resolution 830, the City and ARHA have a long-standing joint commitment to preserve and maintain, at a minimum, 1,150 publicly-assisted housing units. This resolution assures that none of the 1,150 public housing units in existence when the Resolution was adopted in 1982 will be lost without one-for-one replacement.

Resolution 830 applies to ARHA's redevelopment of the Samuel Madden Homes (Downtown) Public Housing project. In December 2002, City Council approved a redevelopment plan for Samuel Madden that includes both on-site and off-site projects and that ensures one-for-one replacement of the 100 public housing units originally available at the Samuel Madden Homes (Downtown) location. The on-site portion of this redevelopment project, undertaken by ARHA in partnership with Eakin/Youngentob Associates, Inc., will include 52 (26 two-bedroom and 26 three-bedroom) public housing units in a development with 100 market rate ownership units. The other 48 replacement public housing units will be developed in partnership with Enterprise Homes off-site at 423 South Reynolds Street, 325 South Whiting Street and at the intersection of West Braddock Road and Radford Street. ARHA has received the first 12 units on-site, and expects to receive the balance of the on-site units by the end of calendar 2005. ARHA also anticipates that the off-site units will be completed in FY 2006.

Financing for the Samuel Madden redevelopment project included a combination of HOPE VI funds (\$6.7 million), LIHTC monies (\$9 million), proceeds from the sale of the two-block area on which Samuel Madden Homes was located (\$8 million), City Housing Trust Fund monies (\$2 million) and City Capital Improvement Program (CIP) monies (\$2.2 million).

The Affordable Housing Policy and Housing Trust Fund

The City will continue to foster and maintain affordable housing through its Affordable Housing Policy, which was originally adopted by City Council in January 1993 and adopted with revisions in November 2002. The policy sets forth the City's framework for the provision of affordable housing.

One of the most important elements of the Affordable Housing Policy is its establishment of the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC), which advises City Council on issues regarding the Affordable Housing Policy, the Housing Trust Fund and the preservation and promotion of affordable housing. The Committee includes representatives from a cross-section of interests, including professionals from the real estate, finance, and legal professions; a builder/developer; a landlord; a homeowner; the ARHA Board of Commissioners; the faith community; a civic association; a renter; a City employer, and a group interested in the promotion of affordable housing.

The policy also establishes formal guidelines for the participation, on a voluntary compliance basis, of residential and commercial developers in the achievement of the City's affordable housing objectives through cash contributions or the provision of affordable units. The formula voluntary cash contribution has been \$1.00 per gross square foot of new development, but the City and the development community are in the process of discussing increases in the voluntary contribution amounts.

During City FY 2004, the City sought and received authorization from the State to include in its policies and zoning ordinance provisions for an Affordable Dwelling Unit (ADU) program under §Section 15.2-2304 of the Virginia State Code, which would enable the City to provide optional increases in density in exchange for affordable housing, in a manner that allows greater flexibility than under the State Code section currently applicable to the City. In FY 2005, the City worked closely with developers to revise the developer contribution section of the policy. While the proposed policy revisions include significant increases in the current \$1 per gross square foot cash contribution, the contributions would be entirely voluntary. The City Council is expected to consider the policy revisions in the spring of 2005.

In addition, it is estimated that during City FY 2006, approximately \$1.8 million in Housing Trust Fund monies will be available for allocation to affordable housing activities. This excludes amount approximately \$1 million that has been committed to several activities discussed in Section I, and includes \$1.3 million allocated to the Housing Opportunities Fund, which is described below.

Approximately \$1 million in Housing Trust Fund monies available in FY 2006 is committed to several activities discussed in Section I. Another \$1.225 million has been allocated to the Housing Opportunities Fund, described below, for affordable housing development activities. An additional \$1.8 million (most of which is program income anticipated to be received during the year) is expected to be available for allocation to new activities.

Housing Opportunities Fund

The City established the Housing Opportunities Fund in February 2002 to promote the development and preservation of affordable sales and rental housing units in the City. The initiative was initially funded with a combined total of \$1 million dollars in HOME (including match), City General Fund and City Housing Trust Fund monies. A similar level of funding has been allocated to the Housing Opportunities Fund in every successive fiscal year. Projects

supported with HOME monies through the Housing Opportunities Fund will leverage funding from state, local and/or private resources.

During City FY 2006, an estimated \$3.3 million in Housing Opportunities Fund monies (including a total of \$1,207,765 in HOME funds, including match) will be available to assist with feasibility studies, pre-development costs, land acquisition, new construction, rehabilitation, or other efforts to provide or preserve affordable housing. For the purposes of this initiative, affordable sales housing is generally defined as having a maximum sales price of \$250,000 (for a three bedroom unit) and being sold to households that are within the City's income limits for its MIHP program (currently \$79,500 for a household of three or more persons). Affordable rental housing is generally defined as having rent levels that do not exceed those used for Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Program purposes, which are affordable to households at 60% of the area median income paying 30% of their income for rent. Any HOME funds utilized for Housing Opportunities Fund projects will be subject to all applicable federal requirements, including income limits, rent levels and recapture or resale provisions.

The Alexandria Housing Development Corporation

In 2004, the City endorsed the creation of organization and named five incorporators who established the non-profit Alexandria Housing Development Corporation with a mission to produce and preserve affordable housing in Alexandria (primarily, but not limited to, multifamily rental housing). Multifamily rental housing supported by this organization will serve households with incomes of up to 60% of area median income (currently \$53,580 for a four-person household). Though sales housing supported by the organization may serve households with incomes of up to 100% of area median income (currently \$89,300 for four-person household), at least 75% of the sales housing units will serve households with incomes no greater than 80% of area median income (currently \$58,000 for a four-person household as defined by HUD). Housing provided through the efforts of this organization will be expected to remain affordable in perpetuity.

Though the housing corporation is an independent entity, the City will be its primary source of operating funds. Five individuals were appointed by City Council in January 2004 to incorporate the new board and serve as its initial board members. Since then, the board has incorporated, hired a full-time executive director, appointed four additional board members, and has its first contract on a twelve unit apartment building. The board will continue to look aggressively for opportunities to preserve affordable housing in the City.

VII.C.3 Actions to Remove Barriers to Affordable Housing

As discussed in the Five-Year Consolidated Plan, the City continues to look at barriers to affordable housing development. The greatest regulatory barrier to affordable housing may be restrictive State laws and policies that prohibit the City from requiring contributions to affordable housing in new developments. During FY 2006, the City will participate in the

State's Housing Study Commission that will consider affordable housing policies and options for localities.

VII.C.4 Fair Housing Activities

Since 1988, the City has conducted ongoing fair housing testing to determine the presence of discrimination in the housing industry. The testing program uses paid testers to contact apartment complexes, real estate firms and mortgage lenders posing as potential applicants to test for discrimination based on race, familial or disability status, and sexual orientation. The Office of Housing files complaints with the Alexandria Human Rights Office when serious, repetitive problems occur. City staff meet with representatives of the entities tested to discuss less serious problems of discrimination discovered during testing.

During City FY 2006, the Office of Housing will conduct fair housing testing for discrimination based on one or more of the following bases prohibited by federal or state fair housing laws or the City's Human Rights Ordinance: race, age, marital status, color, national origin, familial status, disability sex, religion, ancestry and sexual orientation.

In City FY 2006, Office of Housing staff will coordinate and present public education programs to improve public awareness and promote compliance with fair housing laws. In addition to two regularly scheduled annual seminars, Office of Housing staff conducts on-site fair housing training for real estate and property management professionals. This training is provided as a free service to businesses operating in the City.

Finally, the City provides fair housing information to tenants and landlords through the free publication *The Alexandria Guide to Landlord-Tenant Laws and Policies*. The Office of Housing's \$47,386 budget for the Fair Housing Testing Program in City FY 2005 consists of \$36,381 in new CDBG funds and \$11,005 in carryover CDBG funds:

VII.C.5 Actions to Evaluate and Reduce Lead-Based Paint Hazards

The City's Office of Housing ensures that applicable programs are operated in accordance with HUD's Title X regulations on lead-based paint. All HAP purchasers are provided with a copy of the Environmental Protection Agency pamphlet "Protect Your Family From Lead in Your Home" and must receive a disclosure form from the seller noting any known presence of lead-based paint. Units identified for purchase must be visually inspected for scaling, cracked, peeling or chipped paint by a certified risk assessor or Housing Quality Standard (HQS) inspector trained in visual assessment.

For cases in which deteriorated paint surfaces are identified, the City requires that such surfaces be stabilized before the homebuyer moves into the home. Such work must be conducted using safe work practices, and clearance testing must be conducted to determine that the lead hazard activities are complete. Prior to loan closing, and within 15 calendar days of the completion of

lead hazard reduction activities, the homebuyer must be notified of the results of the clearance examination in a detailed report.

Assessments are also conducted when painted surfaces are to be disturbed or replaced through the City's Single Family Home Rehabilitation Loan Program. All costs associated with soil analysis tests (which must be done by the state) and the abatement of lead-based paint hazards will be included as part of the client's rehabilitation loan. For this program, the level of assistance being provided determines the actions that need to be taken to meet the requirements of the Title X regulations. These action levels are as follows:

- ▶ Assistance of \$5,000 or less: Conduct paint testing on the painted surfaces to be disturbed or replaced during rehabilitation and repair any paint that is disturbed. Perform clearance examination of worksite in accordance with HUD regulations. Clearance is not required if rehabilitation did not disturb painted surfaces of a total area more than 20 square feet on the exterior and two square feet on the interior in any one room.
- ▶ Assistance of \$5,001-\$25,000: Conduct paint testing on the painted surfaces to be disturbed or replaced during rehabilitation. Perform a risk assessment to include exterior painted surfaces, and perform interim controls on all lead-based paint hazards identified.
- ▶ Assistance of \$25,000 or greater: Conduct paint testing on the painted surfaces to be disturbed or replaced during rehabilitation and perform a risk assessment to include exterior painted surfaces. Abate all lead-based hazards identified by the paint testing or risk assessment and any lead-based paint hazards created as a result of the rehabilitation work. Interim controls are acceptable on exterior surfaces that are not disturbed by rehabilitation. This would refer to items that may be identified in the risk assessment but are not included in the scope of work for rehabilitation.

All testing and risk assessments, as well as clearance of any identified lead hazards, are performed by a certified lead-based paint inspector and a certified risk assessor to determine if rehabilitated units are safe for future occupants. At all times during rehabilitation, the City ensures that interim controls and standard treatment practices are followed. These include addressing friction and impact surfaces, creating smooth and cleanable surfaces, encapsulation, removing or covering lead-based paint components, and paint stabilization. The City also follows regulatory requirements regarding abatement and permanently removes lead-based paint hazards, often through paint and component removal and enclosure. In addressing these hazards, the City follows safe work practices for all work to be completed on lead-based paint surfaces. These practices are required on interior surfaces larger than two square feet and on exterior surfaces larger than 20 square feet.

All initial meetings with the loan applicant and the architect include a discussion of lead-based paint requirements that may result in additional rehabilitation work and/or costs that were not anticipated by the client. If necessary to cover the cost of lead abatement activities, the program's loan limits can be exceeded, and the loan-to-value ratio can go as high as 110% of the home's value.

The Health Department will continue its lead-screening program for children during City FY 2006 at a projected cost of \$3,850 (not including follow-up or case management). An estimated 350 tests will be conducted to determine if the lead level of Alexandria children is above acceptable levels. Children with screening (capillary) levels above 10 µg/dl will have venous blood tested for lead levels. For children determined to have venous blood lead levels above 15 µg/dl, the Health Department will conduct environmental tests using its lead-based paint analyzer on suspect buildings in the City where these children live or play. Children with marked elevations will receive case management for necessary treatment and follow-up.

VII.C.6 Actions to Reduce the Number of Poverty Level Families

Refer to Section VI.F. for information.

VII.C.7 Actions to Develop the Institutional Structure

The organizational structure for carrying out the City of Alexandria's affordable and supportive housing strategy is well-developed and involves a variety of public and private entities. This formal structure is very effective in implementing activities and programs to meet community needs. The City government, public agencies such as ARHA, and the network of private provider agencies which offer housing and/or supportive services in collaboration with public agencies aggressively pursue opportunities that will provide additional resources for particular steps on the continuum of services. The new housing development corporation discussed in Section III.B above was created to enhance the existing institutional structure by establishing a development entity whose primary focus will be promoting housing development and preservation projects within the City.

VII.C.8 Coordination Between Public and Private Housing and Social Service Agencies

Public and private agencies in Alexandria will continue to effectively coordinate their efforts in meeting the housing and supportive service needs of City residents. Section II of this report identifies a number of activities where extensive coordination of this type is required. Additional collaborative efforts taking place in the community are described below.

- ▶ Provision of services to the homeless and the development of Alexandria's Continuum of Care for homeless services is coordinated by the Department of Human Services' Office of Community Services (OCS) via the previously-described Homeless Services Coordinating Committee (HSCC). HSCC links City agencies (the OCS, the Health Department, the Office of Employment Training, Housing, and Mental Health, Mental Retardation, and Substance Abuse) with shelter providers and other homeless-serving non-profit organizations in Alexandria. Via its monthly meeting, HSCC shares information, prioritizes service needs and performs planning tasks to implement the City's strategy to combat homelessness.

- ▶ The Northern Virginia Coalition for the Homeless, comprised of representatives of the Northern Virginia jurisdictions and homeless service providers, will continue to address homelessness issues and concerns on a regional basis.
- ▶ Supportive services for the elderly will continue to be coordinated by the Alexandria Long Term Care Coordinating Committee, which includes members from a variety of public and private organizations that serve the elderly's long-term care needs.
- ▶ ARHA and City agencies also frequently, and informally, coordinate their efforts to serve the public housing residents. In addition, the Family Self-Sufficiency Coordinating Group, with representatives from ARHA, City agencies and community members, coordinates service delivery efforts.
- ▶ Assisted Living Work Group
- ▶ City and ARHA collaboration at the policy level includes the City Council/ARHA subcommittee, which consists of the City's mayor and Vice mayor and the ARHA Board of Director's Chair and Vice Chair. In addition, the Samuel Madden Redevelopment Working Group involves the mayor, one Council member, the ARHA Board Chair and Vice Chair, and a member of the City's Planning Commission.
- ▶ The Department of Human Services, Whitman-Walker Clinic of Northern Virginia and Northern Virginia AIDS Ministry coordinate an array of services provided to persons with HIV/AIDS through each individual client's respective case manager. The Health Department and other organizations are also involved in providing HIV/AIDS-related services. Support services are coordinated regionally via the Northern Virginia HIV Consortium, which is supported by the Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC). NVRC also distributes the region's HOPWA funding to participating jurisdictions.

VII.C.9 Fostering of Public Housing Improvements and Resident Initiatives

Public Housing Improvements

ARHA will receive a comprehensive facility study in spring 2005, from which it will prepare a prioritized list of proposed improvements to public housing units in summer 2005. The specific projects targeted for FY 2006 will be determined at that time.

ARHA Resident Initiatives

ARHA established its Social Services Division in 1999 to implement structured programs emphasizing education, training, and employment intended to promote self-sufficiency for residents. To support these programs, ARHA seeks federal, state and private grant monies usually in competition with other public housing authorities, resident councils, local and state governments and non-profit organizations, as well as in-kind services from local government agencies, community groups, faith-based organizations and non-profits. During City FY 2006, ARHA anticipates that limited social services will be provided to its residents through the Family Learning Resource Center (FLRC), which provides a variety of educational, social, and cultural activities for public housing children of all ages, and the Senior Services Outreach Program, under which ARHA collaborates with City and private agencies to ensure timely

delivery of services such as medical care, meals, clothing, financial management, and access to social services for elderly and disabled ARHA residents. General social services provided by City agencies are also available to ARHA residents.

During City FY 2006, ARHA will continue to promote resident input on ARHA initiatives. It is expected that the Parents Council and volunteers from the neighborhood will continue to work closely with the Family Learning Resource Center (FLRC), a program of ARHA's Social Services Division which provides a variety of educational, social, and cultural activities for public housing children of all ages. In addition, it is anticipated that the Agency Plan Residents' Advisory Board, which is comprised of public housing and Section 8 residents elected in an ARHA-wide election, will continue to contribute resident input on the Annual and Five-Year Public Housing Authority Plans required by HUD and that both the Alexandria Residents Council (ARC) and the Ladrey High-Rise Advisory Board (LHAB) will continue to work with ARHA to address resident needs.

VII.D Federal Application and Certification Forms; City FY 2006 CDBG and HOME Budgets; and Listing of Proposed City FY 2006 CDBG/HOME-Funded Projects

Application for City FY 2006 (Federal FY 2005) Community Development Block Grant and Home Investment Partnerships Program Funds

This section serves as the City's application for Federal Fiscal Year 2004 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program funds. These funds will cover the City's Fiscal Year 2006, from July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006. For nearly three decades, the City of Alexandria's highest community development priority has been to provide affordable housing opportunities for its low- and moderate-income citizens. Alexandria's 31st year CDBG and FFY 2005 HOME programs reflect the City's continued commitment to that objective.

From City FY 1976 through City FY 2005, the City has received \$38,137,000 in CDBG funds and has utilized the vast majority of these funds to address housing needs. With the inception of the HOME Program in 1990, under which the City has received \$8,418,452 from City FY 1993 through City FY 2005, the City has been able to address additional housing needs.

Together, the CDBG and HOME programs will continue the City's ongoing efforts to provide homeownership opportunities for low- and moderate-income homebuyers, housing rehabilitation assistance to income-eligible homeowners, and transitional housing assistance to homeless families, and otherwise address the housing needs of its low- and moderate- income citizens and neighborhoods. In addition, the City will continue its efforts to identify and eradicate illegal housing discrimination.

As shown in Tables J and K below, the City's total consolidated HUD allocation for Federal FY 2005 is \$2,286,450, including \$1,411,586 in CDBG funding and \$874,864 in HOME Program

funding. The pages following Tables B and C, labeled "Listing of Proposed Projects," provide information on the proposed use of the CDBG and HOME funds, including a description of each proposed activity, funding sources, proposed accomplishments, information as to whether the activity will benefit the homeless or persons with HIV/AIDS, and the location of the activity. The CDBG-funded activities will include a local code number, the regulatory citation for eligible activities under the CDBG Program as well as the national objective citation (the national objective citation is not applicable to HOME Program-funded activities).

Following the Proposed Projects in this section are the certifications which are required as a condition of receiving the federal funds. In addition, the City has included specific HOME Program requirements, which must be part of its application for these funds.

APPLICATION FOR
FEDERAL ASSISTANCE

1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION: Application		2. DATE SUBMITTED May 16, 2005	Applicant Identifier	
<input type="checkbox"/> Construction <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction		3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE	State Application Identifier	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-application <input type="checkbox"/> Construction <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction		4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY	Federal Identifier M-04-MC-51-0501	
5. APPLICANT INFORMATION				
Legal Name: City of Alexandria		Organizational Unit: Department: Office of Housing		
Organizational DUNS: 07-485-3250		Division: Program Administration		
Address: Street: 301 King Street		Name and telephone number of person to be contacted on matters involving this application (give area code)		
City: Alexandria		Prefix: Mrs.	First Name: Mildrilyn	
County:		Middle Name: Stephens		
State: Virginia		Last Name: Davis		
Zip Code: 22314		Suffix:		
Country: United States		Email: mildrilyn.davis@alexandriav.gov		
6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN): 54-6001103		Phone Number (give area code) 703-838-4990		Fax Number (give area code) 703-706-3904
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision If Revision, enter appropriate letter(s) in box(es) (See back of form for description of letters.) Other (specify) <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		7. TYPE OF APPLICANT: (See back of form for Application Types) Other (specify) Municipal		
10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER: 14-239 TITLE (Name of Program): Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program		9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development		
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): City of Alexandria		11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT: Proposed use of Federal FY 2005 HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program Funds		
13. PROPOSED PROJECT Start Date: 7/1/05 Ending Date: 6/30/06		14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF: a. Applicant 8th b. Project Program 8th		
15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:		16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?		
a. Federal	\$ 874,864.00	a. Yes. <input type="checkbox"/> THIS PREAPPLICATION/APPLICATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS FOR REVIEW ON		
b. Applicant	\$.00	DATE:		
c. State	\$.00	b. No. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PROGRAM IS NOT COVERED BY E. O. 12372		
d. Local	\$ 196,844.00	<input type="checkbox"/> OR PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED BY STATE FOR REVIEW		
e. Other	\$ 953,814.00	17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?		
f. Program Income	\$.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes If "Yes" attach an explanation. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
g. TOTAL	\$ 2,025,522.00			
18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION/PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT. THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES IF THE ASSISTANCE IS AWARDED.				
a. Authorized Representative				
Prefix Mr.	First Name James	Middle Name K.		Suffix
Last Name Hartmann		c. Telephone Number (give area code) 703-838-4300		
b. Title City Manager		e. Date Signed 5-16-05		
d. Signature of Authorized Representative				

APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE

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<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction		4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY	Federal Identifier B-04-MC-51-0001
5. APPLICANT INFORMATION			
Legal Name: City of Alexandria		Organizational Unit: Department: Office of Housing	
Organizational DUNS: 07-485-3250		Division: Program Administration	
Address: Street: 301 King Street		Name and telephone number of person to be contacted on matters involving this application (give area code)	
City: Alexandria		Prefix: Mrs.	First Name: Mildrilyn
County:		Middle Name: Stephens	
State: Virginia		Last Name: Davis	
Zip Code: 22314		Suffix:	
Country: United States		Email: mildrilyn.davis@alexandriava.gov	
6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN): 54-6001103		Phone Number (give area code) 703-838-4990	Fax Number (give area code) 703-706-3904
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision If Revision, enter appropriate letter(s) in box(es) (See back of form for description of letters.) Other (specify) <input type="checkbox"/>		7. TYPE OF APPLICANT: (See back of form for Application Types) Other (specify) Municipal	
10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER: 14-218 TITLE (Name of Program): Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)		9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): City of Alexandria		11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT: Proposed Use of funds for CDBG Program 31st Program Year	
13. PROPOSED PROJECT Start Date: 7/1/05 Ending Date: 6/30/06		14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF: a. Applicant 8th b. Project Program 8th	
15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:		16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?	
a. Federal	\$ 1,411,586.00	a. Yes. <input type="checkbox"/> THIS PREAPPLICATION/APPLICATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS FOR REVIEW ON	
b. Applicant	\$.00	DATE:	
c. State	\$.00	b. No. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PROGRAM IS NOT COVERED BY E. O. 12372	
d. Local	\$.00	<input type="checkbox"/> OR PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED BY STATE FOR REVIEW	
e. Other	\$ 1,305,410.00	17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?	
f. Program Income	\$ 25,700.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes If "Yes" attach an explanation. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
g. TOTAL	\$ 2,742,696.00		
18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION/PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT. THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES IF THE ASSISTANCE IS AWARDED.			
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b. Title City Manager		c. Telephone Number (give area code) 703-838-4300	
d. Signature of Authorized Representative		e. Date Signed 5-16-05	

► **Specific HOME Program Requirements**

A. Other Forms of Investment

The Consolidated Plan requires that the City describe other forms of investment proposed for use of HOME Program funds that are not included in the HOME Program regulations. The regulations include the following eligible forms of assistance: equity investments; interest-bearing loans or advances; non interest-bearing loans for advances; interest subsidies; deferred payment loans; and grants. The City does not plan to utilize any other additional forms of investment that are not included in the HOME Program regulations.

B. Definition of Modest Housing for HOME-Assisted Ownership Units

To comply with the Home Program requirement that HOME-assisted ownership housing units qualify as affordable housing (i.e., that a unit's value does not exceed 95% of the median purchase price for single-family housing in the area), the City is required to define "modest housing" and describe the procedures to be used to determine that HOME-assisted ownership units fall within that definition.

As allowed by the HOME regulations for activities involving homeownership housing, the City will qualify a unit as modest housing for HOME purposes if the value of the unit falls within the Single Family Mortgage Limits under Section 203(b) of the National Housing Act (currently \$312,895 for a one-family home). When the HOME-funded activity involves homebuyer assistance, the City will utilize an appraisal to determine the property value of the assisted housing unit. When the activity involves rehabilitation of an owner-occupied housing unit, the City will generally utilize the property tax assessment to determine value. However, if the owner's equity is inadequate to secure the City's loan, the City may order an after-rehabilitation appraisal to establish whether or not the loan-to-value ratio will be acceptable upon completion of the rehabilitation.

C. Resale Provisions

The City will provide home purchase assistance in the form of no interest, deferred payment, second trust loans up to the Homeownership Assistance Program's maximum loan limit (currently \$50,000). The resale of all HOME-assisted properties during the required affordability period will be governed by the guidelines below which have been previously approved by HUD:

- i. The City's HOME-funded loan shall be repaid in full from the net proceeds of the sale of any HOME-assisted property. If the net proceeds are less than the full amount of the HOME subsidy, the borrower shall pay the net proceeds to the City.
- ii. For resales occurring in the first five years following HOME-assisted purchase, an anti-speculation surcharge will be assessed equal to 25 percent of the loan value in the first

year and decreasing by 5 percent in each subsequent year. The applicable surcharge, in combination with the loan repayment, shall not exceed the net proceeds of the sale. The City reserves the right to waive the surcharge in cases where potential speculation is not a factor (e.g., limited equity cooperatives).

- iii. Funds repaid to the City from the sales of HOME-assisted properties shall be used to assist other first-time homebuyers.

■ CDBG and HOME Requirements

Monitoring of CDBG and HOME-Funded Programs

To evaluate progress and to ensure compliance with CDBG and/or HOME requirements, as well as other federal guidelines, the City will conduct annual site visits with subrecipients to review program files and financial records.

Standards and Procedures that will be used to Monitor Activities and Ensure Long-term Compliance with Program Requirements

The City's Office of Housing will be the lead entity for ensuring that progress is made towards the goals and priorities established in the Plan. The performance measures (for outputs and outcomes) as reflected in the Executive Summary will be used as performance targets. The City will allow for ongoing tracking of activities and programs through regular reporting of current and planned activities.

The City's Office of Housing will also track progress through compilation of data and information that will be used for the Consolidated Plan Annual Performance Report (CAPER). The CAPER will include information regarding the use of federal, state, local and private funds used to provide affordable housing, support services for low-to-moderate income families; resources expended; person/households assisted; characteristics of person or households, racial/ethnic characteristics and summary of achievements and if applicable, the reasons for lack of progress in particular areas or programs.

The Office of Housing is responsible for seeing that CDBG-and HOME-funded programs and projects are administered in a manner consistent with program regulations. Most of the activities proposed for funding under the FY 2006 CDBG and HOME Program will be carried out by the City's Office of Housing or its Department of Human Services. Any subrecipients who utilize CDBG or HOME funds will be subject to the requirements of a grant or loan agreement with the City, and will be required to submit reports to the City on a regular basis. Housing staff will also conduct on-site monitoring to determine if the subrecipients are in compliance with program requirements, and when appropriate, will notify subrecipients of any corrective actions that may be needed.

Affirmative Marketing of HOME Projects and Programs

The City relies on a variety of approaches to ensure affirmative marketing of HOME-funded loan activities including the Homeownership Assistance Program (HAP) and Home Rehabilitation Loan Program (HRLP).

HAP and the locally-funded the Moderate Income Homeownership Program (MIHP) are marketed to potential homebuyers who live or work in the City of Alexandria by way of a direct mail postcard, a brochure and the City's annual homeownership fair. The City has developed a

marketing brochure for distribution at the Fair, Office of Housing offices and at other events, such as new employee orientations and staff meetings.

In publicizing the annual homeownership fair, postcards are mailed to renters living in the City and letters are sent to civic associations, religious institutions, and public and private employers. The Fair is also publicized through a notice on the local cable access television station, on the City's website and through newspaper advertisements. Fair participants are provided with a variety of information, in English and Spanish, on the homebuying process, affordable housing opportunities and affordable financing.

In addition to sponsoring the annual homeownership fair, the City regularly conducts community-wide outreach and home purchase education in connection with its homeownership assistance programs. The City provides targeted outreach, which includes households with children, government and school employees and language minority populations, through attendance at English as a Second Language (ESL) classes, and at community events such as the Department of Human Service's Multicultural Outreach Fair, the Arlandria National Night Out and the Arlandria Community Hispanic Heritage Festival.

The City has also partnered with the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority (ARHA) and Shiloh Federal Credit Union to reach very low income households currently residing in public housing or participating in the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program who are interested in pursuing homeownership. This partnership includes efforts to assist Section 8 voucher holders, those participating in Shiloh's Individual Development Account (IDA) program, as well as in ARHA's Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) program. The City also participates in workshops at the Child and Family Network Centers, which serve lower-income language minority households.

To increase the participation of persons with physical and sensory disabilities in City homeownership programs, the City holds the Annual Homeownership Fair in an accessible location. Brochures describing the Fair include a statement that on-site assistance and special arrangements are available to individuals with disabilities with advance notice. City staff also coordinates with the Office of Adult and Aging Services staff to provide an overview of the City's homeownership and home modification programs and to request assistance in conducting outreach to the elderly population on the availability of these services.

Extensive outreach efforts on City homeownership programs targeted to City real estate professionals is conducted through staff attendance at sales meetings at real estate agencies and through lender/realtor seminars sponsored by the City. The City also participates in the Northern Virginia Association of Realtors (NVAR) Affordable Housing Task Force. This group has developed a website which provides a range of information on home purchase assistance programs, including the City's HAP and MIHP programs, throughout the Northern Virginia region.

The Home Rehabilitation Loan Program (HRLP) is marketed through a direct mailing of program brochures to households in census tracts in the City where sizeable numbers of eligible

households are believed to reside. In addition, the City continues to conduct targeted marketing within neighborhoods where home rehabilitation projects are being implemented. Outreach to civic organizations and to agencies serving elderly and low-income City residents, as well as coordinated outreach with the City Departments of Code Enforcement and Planning and Zoning will continue.

Efforts to Utilize Minority- and Women-Owned Businesses

As part of the City's participation in the CDBG and HOME Programs, outreach efforts to recruit and hire minority- and women-owned businesses will include the following:

1. Obtaining lists of minority and female contractors from the following agencies/organizations:
 - Licensing Board of the State of Virginia;
 - Virginia Department of Minority Business Enterprise;
 - Virginia Regional Minority Supplier Development Council;
 - The Minority Business Development Center, District Office;
 - Community Development Block Grant programs in the metropolitan Washington Area;
 - Minority and Women Business Development Trade Associations; and
 - Purchasing Division of the City;
2. Placing advertisements in Washington Metropolitan Area publications and newspapers. The publications will include those targeted to minorities and women;
3. Making routine mailings to contractors to solicit applications from minority contractors. This has been very effective in past minority and women recruiting efforts; and
4. Involving the City's Purchasing Division in our efforts to attract minority contractors. As a result of ongoing efforts by the Office of Housing to recruit minority and women contractors, the City's Home Rehabilitation Loan Program contractor list is comprised of 14 contractors, three (21.4%) of whom are minorities. One of the three minorities is female. This list will be used, where appropriate, in selecting contractors for HOME-funded activities.

The City has a policy, implemented by the City's Purchasing Agent, to increase opportunities for participation of small minority and women-owned firms in all aspects of procurement. Efforts made to implement the policy include education and outreach to inform potential firms of the City's procurement policies and developing solicitation lists that include qualified small and minority businesses. This written policy is included in the City's "Vendor Guide to Conducting Business with the City of Alexandria." The policy encompasses the Request for Proposal process used to obtain services needed to operate the City's housing programs, especially appraisal and legal services.

The Commonwealth of Virginia selects financial institutions throughout the state to process applications for below market, first trust financing for first-time homebuyers. The City works with agents of these institutions to obtain mortgage financing for participants in the

Homeownership Assistance and Moderate Income Homeownership Programs, which provide down payment, closing cost, and principal writedown assistance. The State seeks out minority-owned financial institutions where they are available, but they are not aware of any in the Northern Virginia area.

In addition, the City makes available the “Guide to Establishing a Small Business,” which is published by the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce and the Small and Minority Business Task Force. The Guide is a business resource directory which contains information on starting a business in Alexandria, City procurement procedures, business education resources, and on how to access City departments.

CDBG and HOME Program Certifications

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the jurisdiction certifies that:

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing: The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing, which means it will conduct an analysis of impediments to fair housing choice within the jurisdiction, take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through that analysis, and maintain records reflecting that analysis and actions in this regard.

Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan: It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, and implementing regulations at 49 CFR 24; and it has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the CDBG or HOME Programs.

Drug Free Workplace: It will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

1. Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
2. Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about -
 - (a) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 - (b) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - (c) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
 - (d) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
3. Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph 1;
4. Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph 1 that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will:
 - (a) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
 - (b) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;
5. Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph 4(b) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;

6. Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph 4(b), with respect to any employee who is so convicted:
 - (a) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
 - (b) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;
7. Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6.

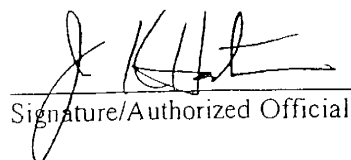
Anti-Lobbying: To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
 2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
- It will require that the language of paragraphs 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Authority of Jurisdiction: The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

Consistency with the Plan: The housing activities to be undertaken with CDBG, HOME, ESG and HOPWA funds are consistent with the strategic plan.

Section 3: It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.



Signature/Authorized Official

5-76-05

Date

City Manager
Title

Specific CDBG Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

Citizen Participation: It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

Community Development Plan: Its consolidated housing and community development plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that provide decent housing, expand economic opportunities primarily for persons of low and moderate income. (See CFR 24 570.2 and CFR 24 Part 570.)

Following a Plan: It is following a current Consolidated Plan that has been approved by HUD.

Use of Funds: It has complied with the following criteria:

1. Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it certifies that it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low and moderate income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health and welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available;
2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds including section 108 guaranteed loans during program year(s) 2003, 2004 and 2005 (a period specified by the grantee consisting of one, two, or three specific consecutive federal program years), shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period;
3. Special Assessments. It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

The jurisdiction will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108, unless CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of fee or assessment attributable to the capital costs of public improvements financed from other revenue sources. In this case, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds. Also, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate income (not low income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

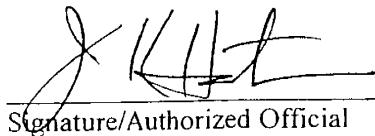
Excessive Force: It has adopted and is enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

Compliance with Anti-discrimination Laws: The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 USC 2000d), the Fair Housing Act (42 USC 3601-3619), and implementing regulations.

Lead-Based Paint: Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 35, subparts A, B, J, K and R.

Compliance with Laws: It will comply with applicable laws.


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Date

City Manager
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Specific HOME Certifications

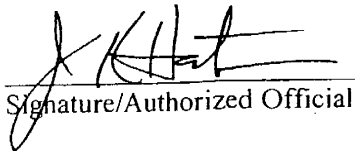
The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance: If the participating jurisdiction intends to provide tenant-based rental assistance:

The use of HOME funds for tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of the participating jurisdiction's consolidated plan for expanding the supply, affordability, and availability of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing.

Eligible Activities and Costs: It is using and will use HOME funds for eligible activities and costs, as described in 24 CFR 92.205 through 92.209 and that it is not using and will not use HOME funds for prohibited activities, as described in 92.214.

Appropriate Financial Assistance: Before committing any funds to a project, it will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other Federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing.



Signature/Authorized Official

5-16-05

Date

City Manager

Title

APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING AND DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS:

A. Lobbying Certification

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

B. Drug-Free Workplace Certification

1. By signing and/or submitting this application or grant agreement, the grantee is providing the certification.
2. The certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when the agency awards the grant. If it is later determined that the grantee knowingly rendered a false certification, or otherwise violates the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act, HUD, in addition to any other remedies available to the Federal Government, may take action authorized under the Drug-Free Workplace Act.
3. Workplaces under grants, for grantees other than individuals, need not be identified on the certification. If known, they may be identified in the grant application. If the grantee does not identify the workplaces at the time of application, or upon award, if there is no application, the grantee must keep the identity of the workplace(s) on file in its office and make the information available for Federal inspection. Failure to identify all known workplaces constitutes a violation of the grantee's drug-free workplace requirements.
4. Workplace identifications must include the actual address of buildings (or parts of buildings) or other sites where work under the grant takes place. Categorical descriptions may be used (e.g., all vehicles of a mass transit authority or State highway department while in operation, State employees in each local unemployment office, performers in concert halls or radio stations).
5. If the workplace identified to the agency changes during the performance of the grant, the grantee shall inform the agency of the change(s), if it previously identified the workplaces in question (see paragraph three).
6. The grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant:

Place of Performance (Street address, city, county, state, zip code)Office of Housing:*(As of June 2005)*

Program Administration and Landlord Tenant Relations

421 King Street, Room 1100

Alexandria, Virginia 22314

Program Implementation Division

2 Herbert Street

Alexandria, Virginia 22305

Department of Human Services: Office of Community Services

2525 Mt. Vernon Avenue

Alexandria, Virginia 22305

Check ____ if there are workplaces on file that are not identified here.

The certification with regard to the drug-free workplace is required by 24 CFR part 24, subpart F.

7. Definitions of terms in the Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment common rule and Drug-Free Workplace common rule apply to this certification. Grantees' attention is called, in particular, to the following definitions from these rules:

"Controlled substance" means a controlled substance in Schedules I through V of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 812) and as further defined by regulation (21 CFR 1308.11 through 1308.15);

"Conviction" means a finding of guilt (including a plea of nolo contendere) or imposition of sentence, or both, by any judicial body charged with the responsibility to determine violations of the Federal or State criminal drug statutes;

"Criminal drug statute" means a Federal or non-Federal criminal statute involving the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, use, or possession of any controlled substance;

"Employee" means the employee of a grantee directly engaged in the performance of work under a grant, including: (i) All "direct charge" employees; (ii) all "indirect charge" employees unless their impact or involvement is insignificant to the performance of the grant; and (iii) temporary personnel and consultants who are directly engaged in the performance of work under the grant and who are not on the grantee's payroll. This definition does not include workers not on the payroll of the grantee (e.g., volunteers, even if used to meet a matching requirement; consultants or independent contractors not on the grantee's payroll; or employees of subrecipients or subcontractors in covered workplaces).

TABLE J

**Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 31st Year Proposed Budget
July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2006**

PROGRAM	30th Year Grant	Carryover Funds	Budgeted Program Income	Estimated Unscheduled Program Income**	Total Funds Available	Percent of Budget
CDBG Program Administration	\$239,433	\$45,972			\$285,405	7.78%
Eviction Assistance & Furniture Storage*	\$75,000	\$2,842			\$77,842	2.12%
Fair Housing Testing Program	\$46,092				\$46,092	1.26%
Home Rehabilitation Loan Program*	\$473,742	\$878,407	\$21,200	\$551,722	\$1,925,071	52.50%
Rental Accessibility Modification Program*	\$99,672	\$61,328			\$161,000	4.39%
Homeownership Assistance Program *	\$341,974	\$307,731		\$376,874	\$1,026,579	28.00%
Submissions and Applications for Federal Programs/Public Information	\$13,673	\$9,130			\$22,803	0.62%
Transitional Assistance Program*	\$102,000				\$102,000	2.78%
Winter Shelter*	\$20,000				\$20,000	0.55%
TOTALS	\$1,411,586	\$1,305,410	\$21,200	\$928,596	\$3,666,792	100%

* These programs benefit low- and moderate-income persons. Funds for these programs constitute 100% of the non-administrative program budget. General administrative costs are presumed to benefit low- and moderate-income persons in the same proportion.

** The program income in this column represents an estimate, based on past years' experience, of program income from repayments of homeownership assistance and home rehabilitation loans. These loans must be repaid upon sale of the property, and sometimes also are repaid voluntarily upon refinancing. Because this income cannot be predicted with certainty, it is not included in the City budget.

TABLE K

**Federal FY 2005 Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program Proposed Budget
July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2006**

Program	FFY 2005 Grant	MATCHING FUNDS FOR NEW HOME GRANT			Carryover Funds*	Estimated Unscheduled Program Income**	Total Funds Available
		City General Fund	Other Non-Federal Monies				
HOME Administration	\$87,486				\$19,761		\$107,247
HOME Homeownership	\$547,378	\$58,210	\$78,634		\$26,288	\$244,136	\$954,646
HOME Rehabilitation						\$20,338	\$20,338
HOME Housing Opportunity Fund	\$240,000	\$60,000			\$907,765		\$1,207,765
TOTAL	\$874,864	\$118,210	\$78,634		\$953,814	\$264,474	\$2,289,996

* Carryover amounts include carryover funds from non-federal sources needed to match carryover HOME grant.

** The program income in this column represents an estimate, based on past years' experience, of program income from repayments of homeownership assistance and home rehabilitation loans. These loans must be repaid upon sale of the property, and sometimes also are repaid upon refinancing. Because this income cannot be predicted with certainty, it is not included in the City budget.

Table 3
Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects

Applicant's Name: City of Alexandria

Priority Need:
Planning & Administration

Project Title:
CDBG Program Administration

Project Description:
General management, oversight, and coordination of all CDBG Program-funded activities and programs.

Location:
N/A

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation
21A	570.206
Type of Recipient	CDBG National Objective
Local government	N/A
Start Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Completion Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
07/01/05	06/30/06
Performance Indicator	Annual Units
N/A	N/A
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$239,433
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	45,972
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$285,405

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities ☐ Public Housing Needs

Table 3
Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects

Applicant's Name: City of Alexandria

Priority Need:
Planning & Administration

Project Title:
HOME Program Administration

Project Description:
General management, oversight and coordination of all HOME Program-funded activities and programs.

Location:
N/A

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation
21H	N/A
Type of Recipient	CDBG National Objective
Local government	N/A
Start Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Completion Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
07/01/05	06/30/06
Performance Indicator	Annual Units
N/A	N/A
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

Funding Sources:

CDBG	
ESG	
HOME	\$87,486
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	19,761
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$107,247

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities ☐ Public Housing Needs

Table 3
Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects

Applicant's Name: City of Alexandria

Priority Need:
Planning & Administration

Project Title:
Submissions and Applications for Federal programs

Project Description:
Funding for the preparation and submittal of funding applications, required Federal reports and plans.

Location:
N/A

Objective Number	Project ID 3
HUD Matrix Code 21E	CDBG Citation 570.206
Type of Recipient Local government	CDBG National Objective N/A
Start Date (mm/dd/yyyy) 07/01/05	Completion Date (mm/dd/yyyy) 06/30/06
Performance Indicator N/A	Annual Units N/A
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$13,673
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	9,130
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$22,803

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities ☐ Public Housing Needs

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Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects

Applicant's Name: City of Alexandria

Priority Need:
Planning & Administration

Project Title:
Fair Housing

Project Description:
This program will fund the testing of rental properties and realtors in the City to identify any discriminatory practices in the rental and sales housing market.

Location:

Community Wide

Objective Number	Project ID 4
HUD Matrix Code 21D	CDBG Citation 570.206
Type of Recipient Local government	CDBG National Objective N/A
Start Date (mm/dd/yyyy) 07/01/05	Completion Date (mm/dd/yyyy) 06/30/06
Performance Indicator N/A	Annual Units N/A
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$46,092
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$46,092

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities ☐ Public Housing Needs

Table 3
Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects

Applicant's Name: City of Alexandria

Priority Need:
Housing

Project Title:
Home Rehabilitation Loan Program

Project Description:
Eligible households may receive zero-interest, deferred payment rehabilitation loans to cover construction costs up to \$90,000. All loans must be repaid in full in 99 years; however loans become immediately due and payable if the property is sold or transferred during this period of time.

Location:

Community Wide

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation
14A	570.202
Type of Recipient	CDBG National Objective
Local government	Low/Mod Housing
Start Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Completion Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
07/01/05	06/30/06
Performance Indicator	Annual Units
Housing Units	14
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$473,742
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	878,407
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	21,200
Total	\$1,373,349

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities ☐ Public Housing Needs

Table 3
Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects

Applicant's Name: City of Alexandria

Priority Need:
Housing

Project Title:
Homeownership Assistance Program

Project Description

The Homeownership Assistance Program provides homeownership opportunities for low-and moderate-income households. Eligible households may receive up to \$35,000 for downpayment and settlement costs assistance. Purchasers must provide a minimum of \$2,000 toward the required downpayment and settlement costs. Program funds may be used to purchase single-family homes, condominiums, or shares in cooperatives. Program funds may also be used to acquire and rehabilitate properties for resale under this program. This activity includes funding for the City's Annual Homeownership Fair.

Location:

Community Wide

Objective Number	Project ID 6
HUD Matrix Code 13	CDBG Citation 570.201 (n)
Type of Recipient Local government	CDBG National Objective Low/Mod Housing
Start Date (mm/dd/yyyy) 07/01/05	Completion Date (mm/dd/yyyy) 06/30/06
Performance Indication Housing Units	Annual Units 25
Local ID	Units Upon Competition

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$ 341,974
ESG	
HOME	547,378
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	334,019
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	141,344
Total	\$1,364,715

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities ☐ Public Housing Needs

Table 3
Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects

Applicant's Name: City of Alexandria

Priority Need:
Homeless

Project Title:
Eviction Assistance and Furniture Storage

Project Description:

This program provides for the transportation and storage of possessions of households that are about to be evicted and that lack a suitable place to store them. These possessions may be stored for up to 60 days, giving families additional time to find replacement housing. The program is administered by the Department of Human Services.

Location:

Community Wide

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation
5	570.201(a)
Type of Recipient	CDBG National Objective
Local government	Low/Mod Clientele
Start Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Completion Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
07/01/05	06/30/06
Performance Indicator	Annual Units
Persons	150
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$75,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	2,842
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$77,842

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities ☐ Public Housing Needs

Table 3
Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects

Applicant's Name: City of Alexandria

Priority Need:
Homeless

Project Title:
Transitional Assistance Program

Project Description:

This program provides financial assistance to homeless and overcrowded low-income households who need an affordable residence in order to make the transition from emergency shelter to self-sufficiency. Assistance is provided in the form of one-half of the security deposit and one-half of the rent for up to three months. A member of the household must be employed and must earn enough money to qualify to rent an apartment. The program is administered by the Department of Human Services.

Location:

Community Wide

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation
5	570.201(e)
Type of Recipient	CDBG National Objective
Local government	Low/Mod Clientele
Start Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Completion Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
07/01/05	06/30/06
Performance Indicator	Annual Units
Persons	225
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$102,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$102,000

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Table 3
Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects

Applicant's Name: City of Alexandria

Priority Need:
Homeless

Project Title:
Winter Shelter

Project Description:

The winter overflow shelter program is coordinated by Carpenter's Shelter and serves up to 76 homeless single adults and families a night. The funds will cover the following expenses: salary and fringe benefits of monitors; supplies; food; cots; linen; utilities; transportation; and maintenance. The goal of the Alexandria Winter Overflow Shelter is to provide safe and dignified shelter and services to homeless persons unwilling to adjust to a structures case management program during a time of year when living outdoors presents serious health hazards through exposure.

Location:

930 N Henry Street, 1701 N Quaker Lane, 310 Alfred Street

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation
5	570.201(e)
Type of Recipient	CDBG National Objective
Sub-recipient	Low/Mod Clientele
Start Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Completion Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
11/10/05	03/31/06
Performance Indicator	Annual Units
Persons	300
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$20,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$20,000

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Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects

Applicant's Name: City of Alexandria

Priority Need:
Special Needs/Non-Homeless

Project Title:
Rental Accessibility Modification Program

Project Description

This program provides grants for accessibility modifications to rental units for tenants with disabilities. For cases in which the landlord requests that the unit be returned to its non-accessible state after the disabled tenant moves out, an appropriate source of non-federal funding will be identified.

Location:

Community Wide

Objective Number	Project ID 10
HUD Matrix Code 14A	CDBG Citation 570.202
Type of Recipient Local government	CDBG National Objective Low/Mod Housing
Start Date (mm/dd/yyyy) 07/01/05	Completion Date (mm/dd/yyyy) 06/30/06
Performance Indication Housing Units	Annual Units 6
Local ID	Units Upon Competition

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$99,672
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	61,328
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	6,000
Total	\$167,000

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Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects

Applicant's Name: City of Alexandria

Priority Need:
Housing

Project Title:
HOME Housing Development Assistance Program

Project Description

HOME monies, along with City General Funds and monies from the City's Housing Trust will be used to support the development of affordable sales and rental housing. Funds will be provided to non-profit and for-profit developers for use in approved acquisition, rehabilitation, predevelopment, development, and construction activities.

Location:

Community Wide

Objective Number	Project ID
	11
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation
12	N/A
Type of Recipient	CDBG National Objective
Local government	N/A
Start Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Completion Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
07/01/05	06/30/06
Performance Indication	Annual Units
Housing Units	Pending
Local ID	Units Upon Competition

Funding Sources:

CDBG	
ESG	
HOME	<u>\$240,000</u>
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	<u>907,765</u>
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	<u>60,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,207,765</u>

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